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"Tis no longer 'Merry England, now that Cardinals rule us," says a character in the play Henry VIII. But the author, one William Shakespeare, was thinking less of Cardinals than of sportsmen generally—the type of that portentious ass Malvolio, and Charles Dicken's Chadband. Thus does a modern author, Mr. J. B. Priestly, pillory those who would deny us good cheer during the Christmas season.

The waiter, who had been casting anxious glances at my table, finally came up, muttered something about the time, gasped an apology, and picked up my bottle and glass and whisked them away. I was not drunk. I was an adult citizen quietly digesting my supper; but the hour had struck, curfew had rung, and my bottle and my glass, like two Cinderellas, had to leave. It was midnight, and prohibition had set in for the next twelve hours. The waiter did not want to take my bottle away; the proprietor didn't; the man at the next table didn't; and I didn't. The police? Yes, but only as public agents. The public, then? But what public? Not myself, not the proprietor, nor the waiters, nor the other diners—and we were the people most concerned in the matter.

No doubt there are all manner of Chadbandish gentlemen who strongly disapprove of drinks after midnight, but I could not see that these people were any more entitled to make the laws than myself and my friends. This, I told myself, is a piece of tyrannical humbug.

For years now we have been compelled by Chadbandish gentlemen, with loud voices, to stop doing this and that. Suppose we compel them, for a change? What about a law making every citizen sit up at least one night a week and drink a bottle of wine in public after twelve? It would be only fair.

NO BULLYING.

That would be only fair. But then, I am a tolerant man, and don't really want to compel Chadbandish people to do anything they don't want to do except to mind their own business.

And I put this startling revolutionary proposal to the new National Government, which, if it really is a national Government, should begin by considering the national temper a little. We have, I think, been dictated to long enough by deacons and elders.

There are two Englands—a merry England and a moral England, let us divide up the country and separate the merry England from the moral one.

The moral one should have a capital of its own, and because of its Cockney traditions and its hospitality to visitors of every kind London is obviously unsuitable. London should be the capital of the merry England, a place in which you can do what you like so long as you do not make a real nuisance of yourself. The other England could have, say, Birmingham as its capital.

There all these repressive people could pass all the laws they pleased—no drinks at any hour no mixed bathing, no bare legs, no wicked books and plays, curfew for everybody at nine o'clock. They would be able to stop everything—dancing, betting, kissing in cars, Sunday performances, cigarette-smoking, even washing and eating—and everybody would be virtuous.

Then the other England, in which I would instantly propose to live, could go to perdition at its own sweet pace. The primrose way would be open for all.

WE SHOULD LEARN.

In a sideboard, facing me as I write, there are bottles of whisky, gin, vermouth, port, sherry and li-

queur brandy, and they all belong to me. Yet—strange as it may seem—I am not feverishly opening bottles after bottle, pouring out glass after glass, drowning myself in the stuff. I am not, at the moment, touching any of them. But there are times when a man wants to sit up very late in public with his friends to celebrate something, and he has a right to satisfy this ancient human need.

If we had this merry England it would be exciting to find out what would become of us. We should, you must remember, be entirely unprotected. The Government, apart from keeping order, would not look after us.

FRIGHTENING.

Liberty, I admit, is frightening—for those of us who know continental cities, realise what freedom has done for them, just making life there one long orgy—and perhaps it would be too much for us. Perhaps there couldn't be a merry England and we English could never reach a genial adult life. But it seems to me worth trying, just for once.

I wish it would try some of us—the merry, not the moral, English—with a latchkey and a little money of our own to spend as we please. That total, non-smoking, unmusical, woman-hating kill-joy who seems to have slipped in dozens and dozens of laws while we were not looking has had his way long enough. Let him go to—Birmingham!

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ROUND THE SHOPS.

[By "EVE"]

Lane, Crawford's.—The use of
dull stockings for more formal
occasions has gained in popularity,
and will continue to be popular this
year. Dull colours are particularly
attractive because of the flattering
effects they give in the darker
colours. The other day I saw a
wonderful display of "Luxite"
silk and hale thread stockings in
the new and distinctly flattering
colours at the Ladies' Salon of
Lane, Crawford's. Among the new
shades are mellow and Malay, a
darker beige than we have been
wearing lately; shadow, a light

quality of hale thread, which at first
glance looks like silk, being very
fine and sheer. To go with these
delightful stockings, Lane, Crawford's
have a wonderful collection of
"Arola" shoes. A champagne-
coloured kid tie shoe is seen with
clever insertions of lizard-skin lot
in, and there is also a very smart
model in a beige one-strap shoe
trimmed with gold kid.

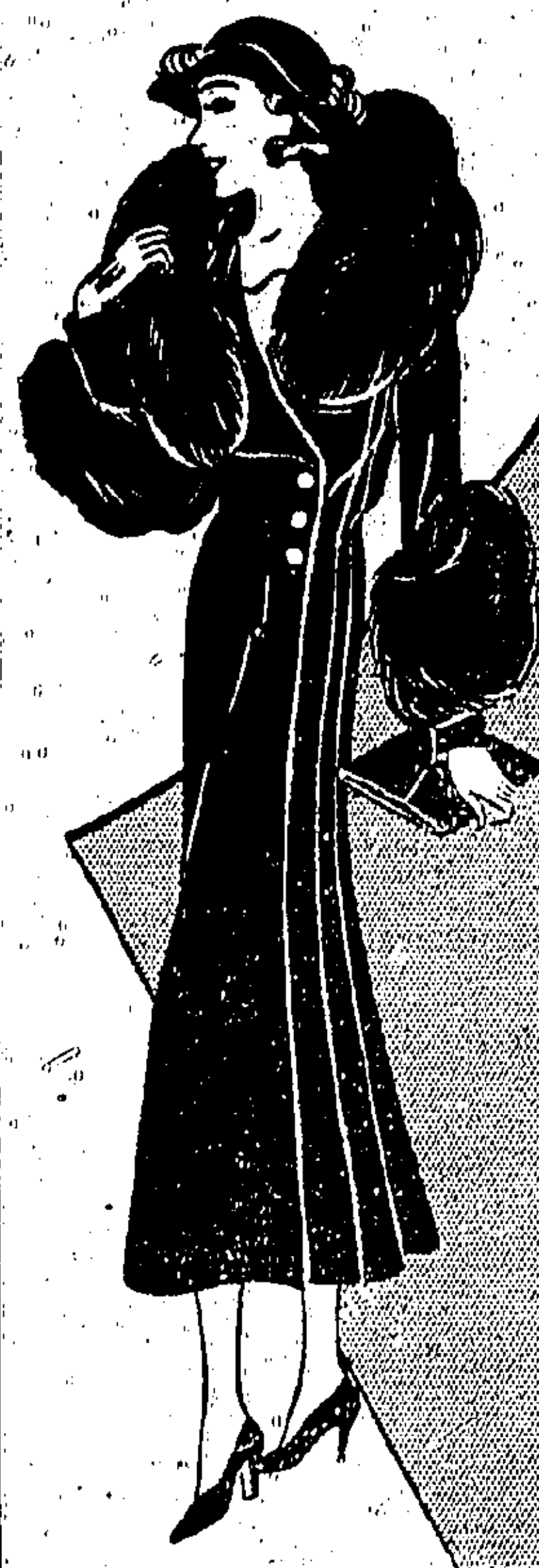
Maison Marnac.—Velvet, whether
ring or pamine, is given a prominent
place in all collections of winter
gowns and no wardrobe is complete
unless it includes a gown or coats
of this material. Ring velvet is
used for the original of several
gowns seen in the new collection
which has just arrived from Paris
for Maison Marnac. The sheath-
like fit at the hips of one gown and
the cowl drape on the front of
the bodice are two indications of its
up-to-date character. On some of
the new late-season models belts are
absent altogether. The sheath-like
fit is retained, but the waistline is
indicated by narrow straps tied at
the back. Unlike a belt, these
straps spring from the sides only.
Revers are introduced at the back
of some of the new evening frocks.
Strictly speaking, this idea is not
new but merely a revival of a
fashion of a few years ago. The
revers are faced with a different
material used for the gown.
Sleeves are an amusing illustration
of the way in which dressmakers
this season provide accessories; with
the help of which the appearance
of a dress can be completely changed.
Besides these delightful gowns
Maison Marnac has also imported
from Paris a few of the latest hats.
I have not actually seen these as
they were still unpacked, but I'm
sure they are up to expectation as
is everything in this charming
salon.

The Dolly Vardon Hat Shop.—
One of the most notable local shopping
events of the calendar, the
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Sale, starts to-morrow, and offers a
chance to get one of those chic
models at a very greatly reduced
price; I'm sure everyone has room
in her wardrobe for another hat.
The hats from this charming salon
of elegance have a distinction all
their own and give a final and
charming note to milady's ensemble.
I would remind my readers that the
Dolly Vardon Hat Shop sales are
extremely popular and would advise
as early visit in order to get
the pick of the stock.

WOMAN'S PAGE.

Femina.—Good dressing is merely
a matter of seizing and making
intelligent use of opportunity as it
arises. Many women whose clothes
are the envy of more fortunate
friends manage to be well dressed
on a smaller dress allowance if
they go to a reliable dressmaker.
All the requirements of fashion, to-
gether with good taste, are combin-
ed in the beautiful dresses shown
by "Femina" in the Gloucester
Arcade. Here are frocks for every
hour of the day, hats with which to
crown them and smart little coats
to match. A tailor-made is an
invaluable standby, especially when
one's stock of clothes is so limited;
so, also, is a tweed wrap coat and
some very beautiful examples are on
display at "Femina."

Whiteaway's.—There is a very
great variety in coat fashions this
year, as seen in the new models
which have arrived for White-
away's. There are tailored coats,
sports coats and caped coats in the
popular tweed effects and also in
velour; most of these are heavily
furled at neck and wrist while
others are plain but all are ex-
tremely smart. Clever flares, nip-
ped-in waistline, narrow belts,
capelets and novel godets all help
to form the new silhouette, and are
all at very reasonable prices.
There is also a very large selection
of dressing jackets and morning
gowns, made of fleecy material and
in quite a number of colours. If
you wish to make up your own
dressing gown, Whiteaway's have
beautiful materials suitable for this
purpose.



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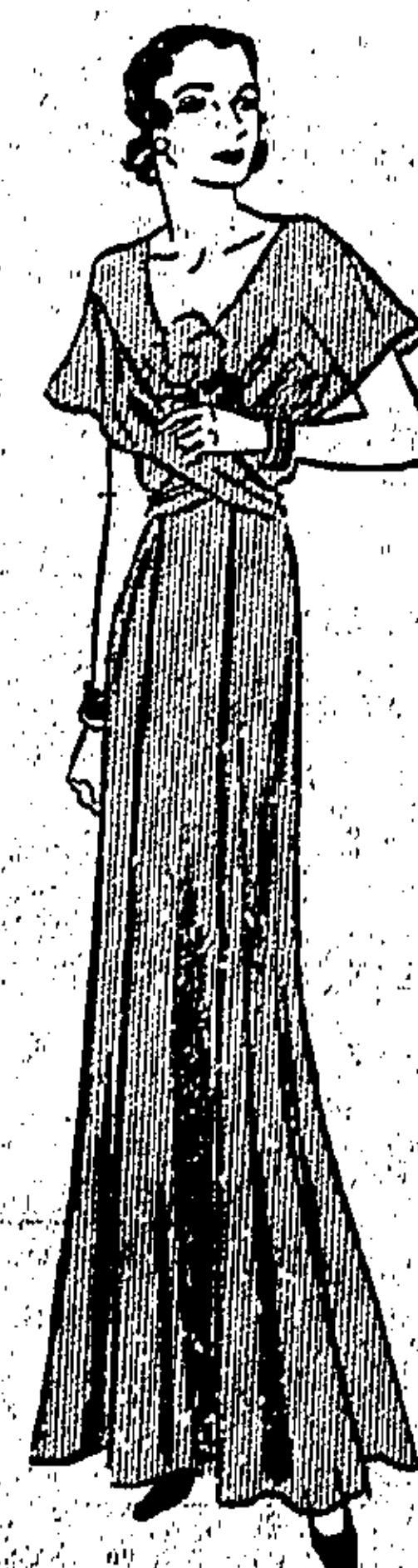
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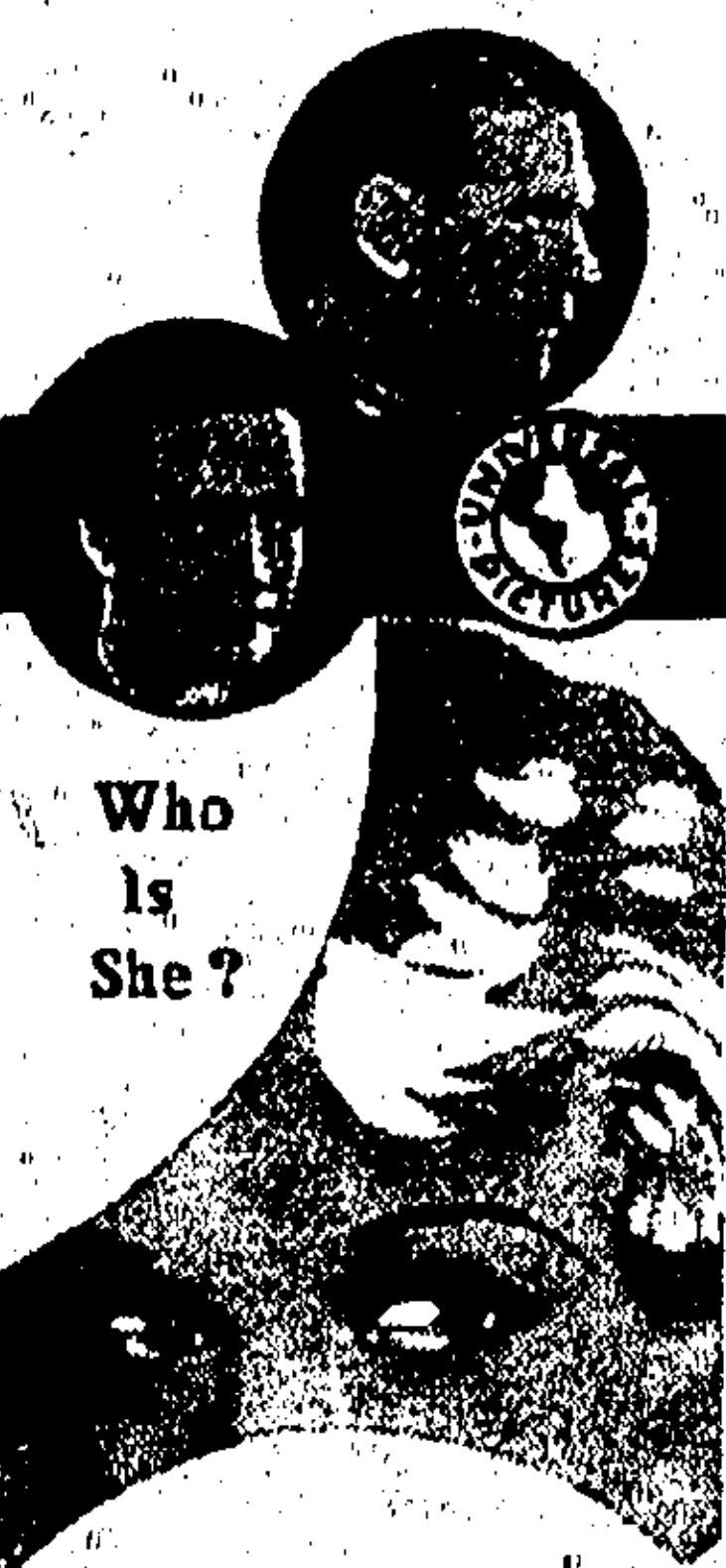


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"The Common Law."
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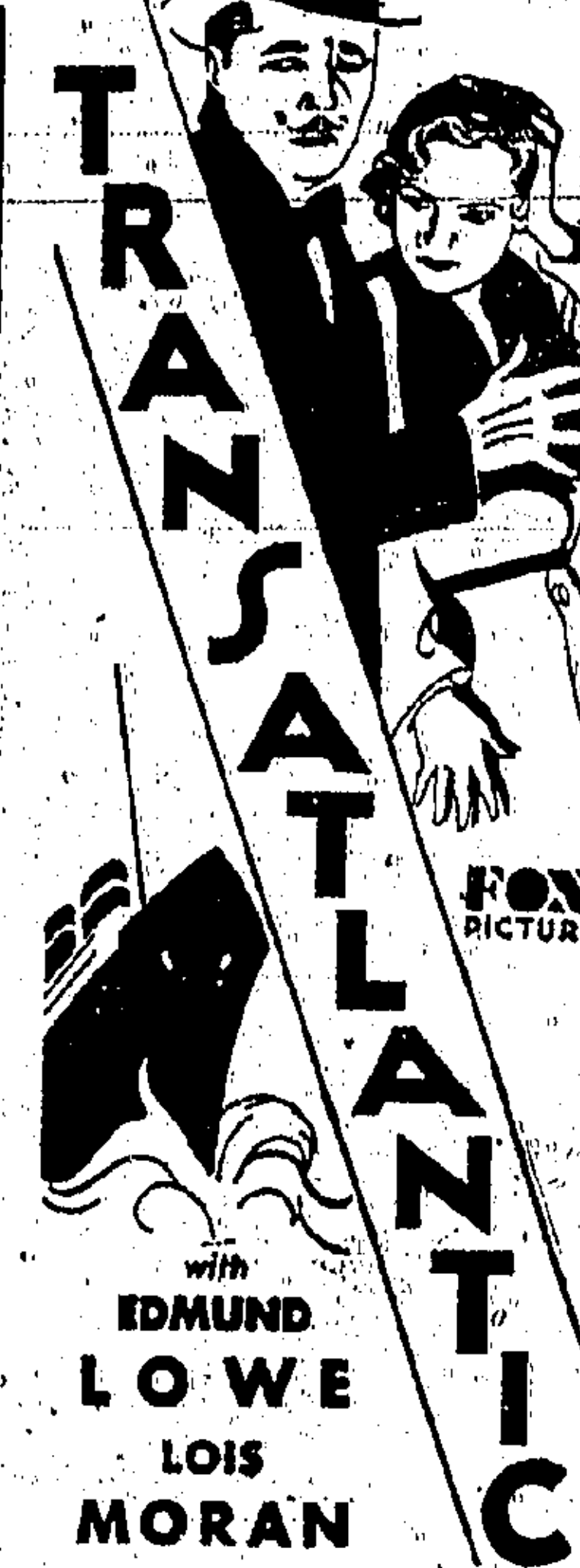
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MOVIE NEWS



A DRAMATIC SCENE FROM "DIRIGIBLE" SHOWING TO-DAY AT CENTRAL THEATRE.

"DIRIGIBLE."

A FILM OF THE ANTARCTIC.

On July 11, 1897, Salomon August Andree and two companions climbed into the basket of a small and fragile balloon which was moored at Dane Island, on the edge of the frozen North, and with confident smiles signalled that the ropes which held their craft be cut. The balloon rose slowly and, caught by the wind, began to travel in a northerly direction. Soon it passed beyond the range of human eyes and, with the exception of fragmentary notes brought back by carrier pigeons, it vanished into the mists of the north, seemingly beyond the range of human ken.

The contrast between this expedition and the one which in Columbia Pictures' latest feature "Dirigible," starts for the frozen south, is extraordinarily vivid. This picture, showing at the Central Theatre to-day, presents in realistic detail the start of a giant airship for the icy wastes of the South Pole and after many complications, emotional and otherwise, the arrival of another huge dirigible at this objective.

In "Dirigible," Frisky Pierce, a famous airplane pilot, starts in his airplane over the last ice barrier that keeps him from his objective, the South Pole. He, like Andree, is accompanied by two companions and this expedition also meets with a mishap that maroons them in inaccessible icy wastes.

"MONKEY BUSINESS."

AND THE MAD MARX BROTHERS.

"Monkey Business" which is now showing at the King's Theatre to-day, it goes something like this—

On a transatlantic liner bound for New York the second mate discovers that there are four stowaways on board. Yes, the stowaways are your old playmates Groucho, Harpo, Chico and Zeppo! To elude pursuit they hide in the captain's cabin. Groucho poses as the captain, runs the ship and eats the captain's breakfast. Then he threatens to put the captain in iron as a stowaway.

His bluff finally breaks down and Groucho hides in the cabin of a passenger. He makes love to the passenger's wife, and almost gets bumped off when the husband returns.

Tom Kennedy, the dim-witted first mate, has a tough time of it, chasing the boys all over the ship. The captain also gets busy and almost catches Harpo and Chico, but they pose as barbers, get him asleep in the chair and "commit mayhem" on him. Then Harpo "gets a yen" for the manicurist and chases her from stem to stern of the boat.

When the ship reaches quarantine a crowd of reporters clambers aboard to interview the passengers. But Groucho reverses the process by interviewing the reporters.

As a climax a gangster gives a party in honour of his daughter. The rival outfit kidnaps the girl and the picture winds up hilariously in a big barn with the mad antics of the indefatigable brothers assisting finally in the rescue of the girl.

"TRANSATLANTIC."

AND AN ODD COINCIDENCE.

Coincidence, which embryo authors always are cautioned to avoid occur much more often than we think in real life.

For instance, consider John Halliday, who has one of the featured roles in "Transatlantic," Fox talking picture production starring Edmund Lowe, which comes to the King's Theatre next Sunday.

Halliday, who had saved his money for several years, determined to make a trip to Europe on a much needed holiday. A week before he was to leave Hollywood on the first lap of his journey, the bank in which all his savings were deposited closed its doors. To date, not a depositor has recovered a cent.

The only break Halliday got, was that he already had paid for his tickets and didn't lose that amount. So he went to Europe anyway, but stayed only a few weeks, whereas he had planned a visit of at least a year.

Returning from abroad, Halliday was cast for the role of "Henry Graham" in "Transatlantic," in the picture, turns out to be an absconding banker! Facing with \$3,000,000 of his depositors' funds.

"I could have played the role of the man who shoots the banker with much more feeling," Halliday said. "But at that, I was able to give the financier a sinister quality I might have lacked if I hadn't had my unfortunate bank experience."

In "Transatlantic," Edward Lowe is supported by an exceptionally strong cast, with includes such screen luminaries as Lois Moran, in the leading feminine role, Jean Harlow, Greta Nissen and Myrna Loy.

GOSSIP AND FACT.

And So To Bed.

"When you are making a picture from 10 a.m. till about 7 p.m., and then can only just manage a quick bite of dinner or a sandwich before the evening performance at a theatre, you really haven't any life of your own at all—and that's what I've been doing for nine months out of the last year," said dainty Joan Barry, of "The Barretts of Wimpole Street." "And, of course, she went on, 'I've not the slightest desire to go out to parties when I've got through my work at last—it's straight home for me, and ten minutes after I've had a glass of hot milk I'm sound asleep.' "The brief intervals when I've only a theatre part to play seem like a holiday and then, I can assure you in a few weeks I make up for all those months and go out every night."

"I just love dressing myself up, generally in my favourite color, and going on to supper parties, though I don't eat much there. Lunch is my one big, solid, satisfying meal of the day. In the morning I only have a cup of weak tea."

Menjou and Margaret Bannerman.

Adolphe Menjou is acting in British films, Eric Hakim, who produced "The Outsider," completed by a transatlantic telephone a contract with the famous film actor to co-star with Margaret Bannerman in three films to be made in this country. Menjou left Los Angeles by plane for New York, and eight days later commenced acting in "Two White Arms" at the Westbury Studios in eight days' time. He has been engaged, according to officials in film circles, at the highest salary ever paid in this country to a film star. American distribution of the three films is guaranteed.

Country House Film Studios.

It is an interesting sign of the times that whereas a couple of years ago an English country house of any size or importance which came into the market was suggested by the agents as suitable for conversion into either a school or a country club, it is now more usual for them to be offered for film studios.

The head of one of the largest British producing companies states that during the past month of October he has been notified of no fewer than seven country houses with a view to their development in this direction.

The Ho Man.

Margaret Carlisle, the actress, who is engaged to Leon Cooley, told a battalion of New York reporters, by whom she was interviewed that she is marrying an Englishman because she wants to be bossed.

FALSE HEROES?

AUTHOR CRITIC OF
CHAPLIN AND CHEVALIER
PUBLICITY.

Criticism of the "false hero worship" which attended the reception of Maurice Chevalier and Charles Chaplin in London was made by Major Beith (Ian Hay), the author.

Addressing the Anglo-Swedish Society in London on "Present Day Drama," he said the chief opponent of the theatre was the cinema and the principal weapon of the cinema in competing with the drama was the enormous apparatus of publicity. Instances were the effect of publicity on the arrivals in London of Chevalier and Chaplin.

"They placed themselves unreservedly in the hands of their employers, publicity agents with 'shattering results.' All the machinery of mass suggestion and false hero worship was employed on their behalf. These publicity campaigns must have cost thousands of pounds each."

"They were the two greatest publicity stunts ever worked in London. Public curiosity reached stupendous heights. Celebrities of every grade were infected and they sought to be photographed with Mr. Chaplin. Even the Prime Minister, I am sorry to say, and invited Mr. Chaplin to Chequers."

He did not think it wise for the theatre to compete in this sort of vulgarity.

Advertising campaigns in favour of "Eat more fish," and "Eat more fruit," had made people fish-conscious and fruit-conscious, and he suggested that something of the same sort be adopted by theatre managers.

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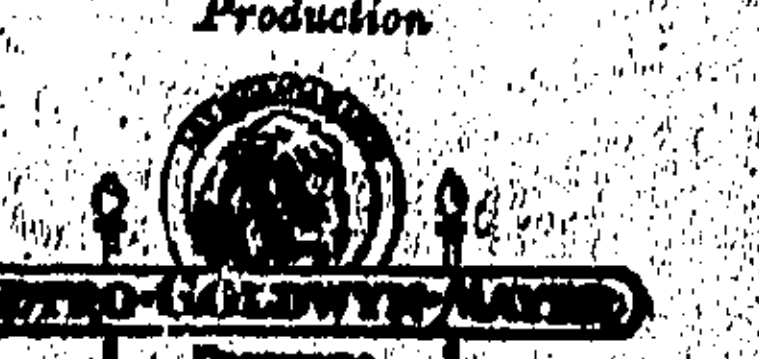
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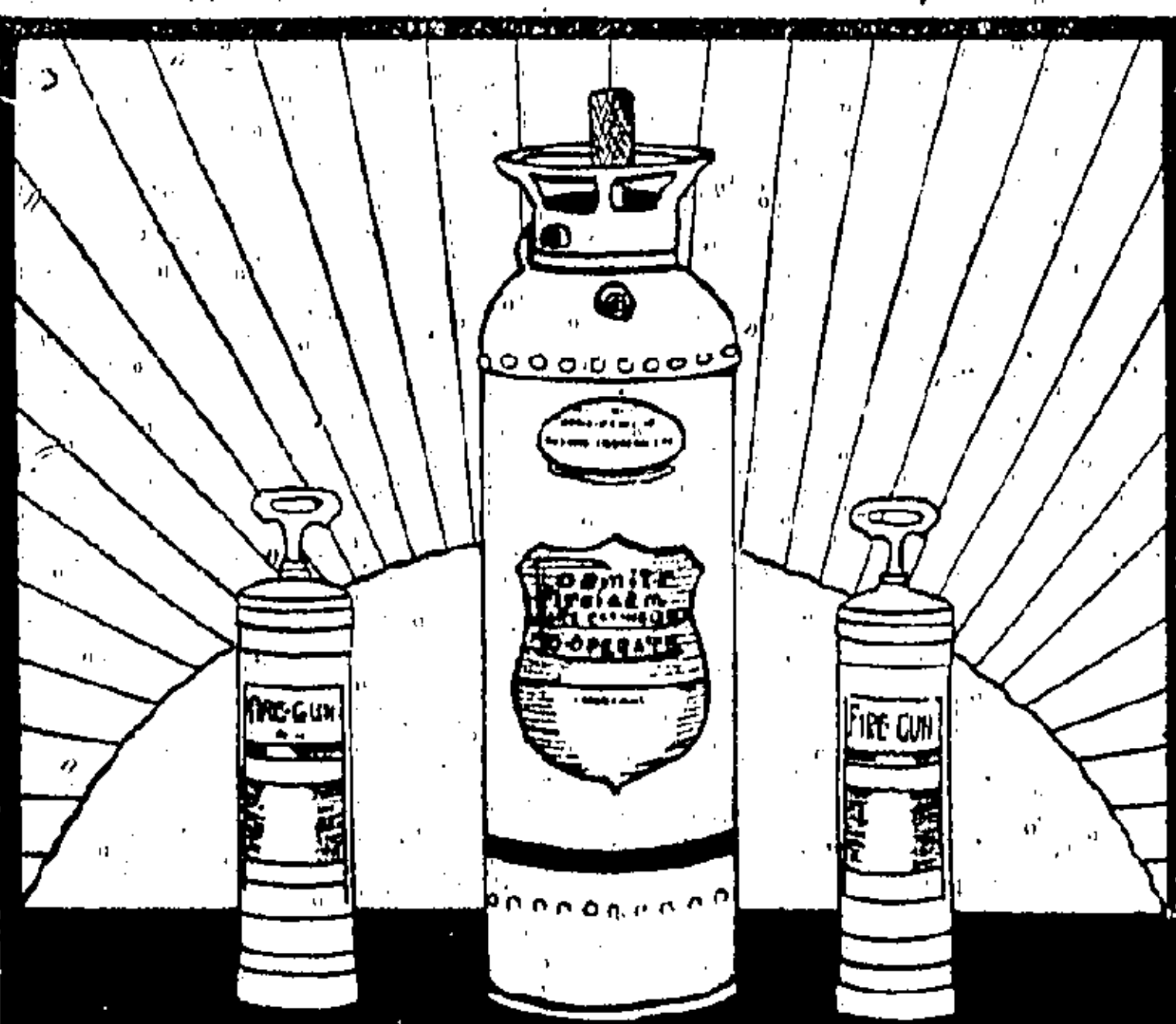
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M.O.H.'S ANNOUNCEMENT ON DIPHTHERIA EPIDEMIC

LATEST ADVICE: DON'T EAT ICE CREAM.

The consumption of ice cream was added to the list of things which must remain *tabu* for the duration of the diphtheria epidemic, by Dr. G. W. Pope, the M.O.H., in an interview with a *Daily Press* representative yesterday evening.

"Existing stocks of ice cream owned by the firm to which the origin of the outbreak was traced are being destroyed," said Dr. Pope, "nevertheless it is but a commonsense precaution to refrain from eating any ice-cream at all for the present."

Only Six New Cases.

Six cases only of diphtheria were notified yesterday up to five o'clock in the afternoon, four of which were from Hong Kong, one from Kowloon, and one from the harbour, the latter case being that of a naval officer from one of the war-ships in port.

Thus if the figures are a true indication of the state of affairs prevailing, and there is not the slightest reason for presuming they are not, the epidemic is rapidly on the decline—the worst is over, and although the usual precautions should be observed, a return to normal may not unreasonably be expected in the near future.

German Child Dies.

So far the only European fatality has been that of a German child which died on Christmas Day; the other patients in hospital and elsewhere are progressing favourably.

To the list of social functions already cancelled must be added the New Year's Carnival Dance arranged by the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club. Also a number of schools are postponing their opening date after the Christmas holidays for a week.

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"We can confidently say that our milk is safe for use as delivered," repeated Mr. Stevenson.

COMMON SENSE AND INDIGESTION.

Any doctor will tell you that almost all digestive trouble is due to excess stomach acid, which ferments food, generates painful gases, and attacks the delicate stomach lining. Obviously, then, to get immediate relief, you need only counteract the stomach acidity; and for this purpose there is nothing so equal as a little "Bismarck" Magnesia taken after meals or when discomfort is felt. "Bismarck" Magnesia, which can be obtained from any chemist, speedily banishes indigestion by neutralising excess acid, stopping fermentation, and soothing and healing the inflamed stomach lining. Doctors and hospitals use and recommend this commonsense remedy because by acting directly upon the cause of the trouble, it always gives instant relief.

MR. PEPYS IN HONG KONG.

35th, Christmas Day.—This day I had been minded to lie late, and so I do warn the Boy that he should not awaken me. But on over it was clear daylight, I am roused by my children who are much relieved to find that Father Christmas has found his way hither and they are not disappointed of their gifts. Yet whether it is fitting to encourage this superstition or myth too far I know not. So I do rouse my wife, poor wretch, and to the children where the stockings are emptied. And so betimes I break my fast and to my garden, while my wife very busy ordering the dressing of our Christmas tree, to which at one of the clock, or it may be later, we do sit down with Sir R. Harpenden and his Lady, and three guests, and all very merry. And thereafter to our divers occupations, and I send Mr. R. Beach to walk to High West Gap and thence to the summit, for the better ordering of our stomach. And so home, the better for it, for I have long been vowed to give no occasion to my liver through sleeping upon a Christmas afternoon.

This evening to dine with friends, a most merry rout, and I playing of the Flageolet, which I think not to have done these four years since I did dine in one of His Majesty's frigates; and how, none other of the company do pine at all for the chamber music. Yet, God forgive me, I do believe my mind do so run back that I do may be see myself once more on board. Or so my wife do say, but I trust that she, poor wretch, do make over much of it. So home late after a most merry evening.

26th.—This morning lay late upon information from the Boy that it did rain, although it had been most fine weather upon my retiring. And so to sleep again and later did enquire of the Crquette by messenger, and I be told that there be none till nunccheon be done. And so yet again I do fall asleep and so until it be noon. And then, looking from my window, I do perceive that the game be begun. So I trim myself and to the Club around where I do see the Army team, which doth most soundly trounce the Club at Crquette. So home and to bed betimes.

27th, Lord's Day.—This day up betimes and to the Queen's House where I do see a most admirable Comedy. "The Man in Possession," at which I do laugh most immoderately. And indeed it hath much wit. Then home to my nunccheon, and after clipping of my sweet peas in the garden; but I am at a stoude, they do proceed so slowly, and I perceive it do be from lack of the sun's rays. But for this I can do nothing, for I cannot remove the mountains, as is the Government habit here, save perhaps at Morrison Hill, where the hill do be too hard for them. Writing later in my diary and so early to bed.

28th.—Up pretty betimes and to the office where I am full of business at the year's end, and so have no time even for my morning draught, which has not happened to me these many days. At nunccheon at the Crquette Club where the Navy do play the Army at Crquette. And with sorrow I do perceive that the Navy has no bowling at all yet it is with the greatest possible delight that I do watch the clean striking of Mr. A. Hamilton and Captain R. Moir who do gather the one a hundred and fourteen, and the other one hundred and fifty notches. And from this violent action I do trust they will come to no harm nor abatement of strength through overtaking of the system at Christmas. Reading in the news sheets I see martial law is declared in Swatow and am glad of it. For it hath ever proved a most turbulent and bolshevistic place, and if the fear of bandits or Communists do make their students to walk more meek and orderly it shall be well. But more serious is the news of the plague which has fallen upon the city, which the chyrurgeons do style diphtheria, being, as I understand it, an affection of the throat and air passages, and in the past most deadly. But now, our advance in knowledge do enable the chyrurgeons to master it, so be that the patient do call them in at once. Yet am I grieved at the alarmist news that is shown in the public news sheets. For I know well that more men have taken a sickness from panic fear than from chance infection.

29th.—Up betimes and reading in the news sheets I do find most admirable detailed information and my wife and I do order our household as the chyrurgeons do advise. And under Providence this shall suffice, though I do hold that fate has much to do herewith, and that the faint-hearted are the more likely to contract the plague! Reading also of the meeting of the Society which doth protect Children: Whereat His Excellency, the Governor, do make the most plain and sensible speech that ever I heard, and I am in doubt if I do my full share towards its aid. For so strange be human nature, there be many do sorrow for the hardship of a child do leave unmoved. This day I do take my nunccheon at the Crquette Club, where I discover the Navy in the most perilous chance against the Army. And soon their last strikers be overcome and the Army do win by six innings and well-nigh three hundred

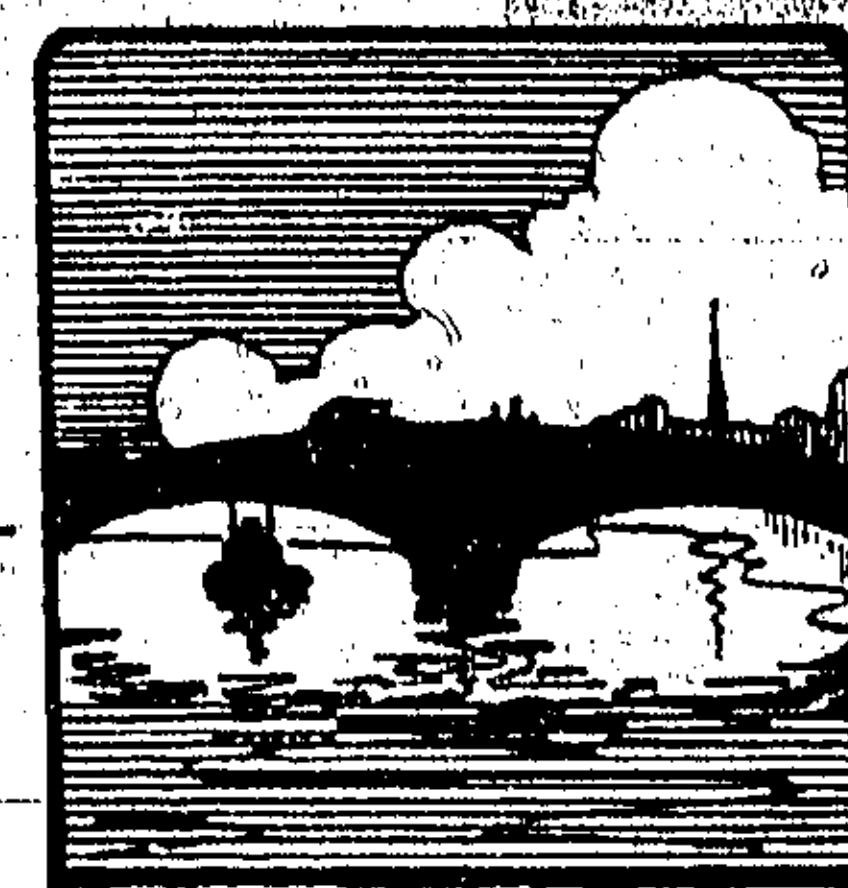
runs. News from the North comes that the Japanese do insist they do not desire to annex Manchuria, but do insist that bandits shall stop. Which do seem a fair enough proposal and I trust a peaceful issue may come. The diphtheria do run its course and I learn that many balls and dances be postponed—which is but common sense. But in talking with a chyrurgeon this day I do learn that having do be the most dangerous thing possible for infection, which seems to me to be a mighty hard matter at this festive season, and the more so as I have been at charges to buy a handsome bough of mistletoe—cost me six dollars.

30th.—This day very busy at my office ordering my accounts for the year's end. Reading in the news sheets I see that Mr. R. W. Gulpia, who was Captain of the Porcillon when she was lost, do retire from His Majesty's Navy of his own desire; whereby I do believe that one of our most able officers in the submarine service is lost to the King's service, and I am heartily sorry for it. In Shanghai the coach strike be ended and the Com' penny wins, for which I am most thankful. The epidemic no worse and may be somewhat easier later we do hope.

31st.—Up betimes and to my garden to gather a nosegay for my wife, but find only four blooms of sweet peas, which be too few for a vase, so I do use them for the adorning of my button hole, and the pumpling of my fellow gardeners whose sweet peas are not yet blossoming for which may I be forgiven. Yet I do think that but for the cold I had had a many more. To the office where I sit late ordering of my accounts, and so home and to dine with Sir R. Harpenden, though my wife be hardly recovered of a rheum in the head that do afflict her sorely. A merry evening seeing in the New Year and so home and I fall to writing in my diary.

So ends this year, with much trouble both in the North in India and at home. All the world troubled and many in sore distress which may God amend in the New Year. In Hong Kong all pretty well on the whole though money is scarce and trade not over abundant. Yet do I see no lack of new cars upon the street and I do reflect that these twenty years I have never yet heard a merchant admit to a prosperous season—not indeed do I so do myself. But I trust things may mend, and it may be there be many other places in worse plight than this Colony. And so, forgiving my enemies as I trust they do forgive me, to bed.

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E. D. C. WOLFE,
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CHENG KING WAK—On December 30, 1931, at his residence, No. 3, Gordon Road, Hong Kong. The funeral is to take place on Friday, January 1, 1932, and the cortege will leave the residence at 2 p.m. for interment at China Permanent Cemetery, Aberdeen. [1644]

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LIGHTS OF ENGLAND.

NEVER was so much written on the subject of trade, which is visualised largely as a matter of imports and exports. This is particularly true of Great Britain, and on all hands there is discussion of tariffs and bounties, of currency problems and preferences, and of all manner of political expedients. But quietly in the background, almost unnoticed by the Press and public, a great industrial change is taking place. Great Britain, the classic home of machine industry, is turning from steam to electricity as the prime mover of her machinery. Quietly, through all the trade difficulties of the past decade, electric power-stations have been erected, existing ones have been enlarged, and the whole output of electricity organised and co-ordinated by a system of power cables known as the "Grid." All this activity has been directed by a Government Commission known as the Electricity Commissioners and their annual report affords a valuable commentary on the progress that the country is making in the equipment of industry with the most modern methods.

The report for the year ended March 31 last (the eleventh) has just been issued, and, as might be expected, the Commissioners comment on the extraordinary difficulties of the year under review. This was the period of the maximum decline in commodity prices, of increasing unemployment and of general deflation and liquidation. The conditions were such as to impose a definite check on the rate of growth of demand for electricity, particularly as regards supplies for industrial power. Indeed, the curtailment of production and the lessening of industrial activity rendered it difficult in some cases for the electric power supply companies to maintain their output at the level of the previous year, and in a few cases there was an actual decrease in output.

Nevertheless of the ten regional areas into which the administration of the Commissioners is divided two only (North-West England and Central Scotland) showed a falling off in output. The total decline here amounted to 138 million units. The other eight districts showed a gross increase in output of 933 million units. Of this total, 360 million units, or upwards of 33 per cent, were accounted for by supply companies in the South-East region. The North-West and the Central Scotland districts have doubtless been affected by the recent decline of shipbuilding activity, and the South-East district includes London. The great increase of electricity in the London area has been facilitated by electrical power, the transmission of power instead of the transport of coal making this development more feasible. As this is, it may be said, for the whole country the increased net output of 933 million units over that of the previous year represents a growth of upwards of 5 per cent.

Sales of electricity follow very closely output, for electricity cannot be easily stored. The report states that in 1930-31 sales showed an increase of 433 million units, or about 5 per cent, as compared with the year 1929-30. On the basis of the estimated total population of Great Britain at the end of 1930—namely, about 44,700,000—sales from public sources of supply in that year thus represented an average consumption per head of population of 202 units. It is interesting to note that this increased sale was made by a slightly less number of purveyors, the number on March 31 last being 635, a net decrease of three on the number holding supply powers at the end of the preceding twelve months.

The aggregate capacity of the generating plant for new stations, and extension of existing stations, sanctioned by the Commissioners during 1930-31 amounted to 892,000 kw., as compared with 292,000 kw. in the preceding year, and an average annual increase of 500,000 kw. during the past ten years.

The elimination of the smaller power plants is, of course, part of the settled policy of the Commissioners. The greater efficiency of the larger power station is revealed in the fact, mentioned in the report, that in the ten years that have elapsed since the Commissioners began their labours, namely, in 1920-21, there has been an all-round increase of 78 per cent in the amount of electricity produced for each ton of coal and coke consumed. The decrease in coal and coke consumed last year was over 14 per cent, as against 1929-30. Side by side with this increase in the thermal efficiency of the fuel used in the generating stations has gone an intensive research into the elimination of the pollution of the atmosphere. In all the modern power stations the control of combustion of fuel and of the emission of smoke and sulphur fumes is the object of constant solicitude, and the fumes emitted by a modern station, such as that at Battersea, London, is practically negligible.

HOW IT IS DONE.

A PITILESS light is thrown on the publicity methods of film stars by the case, reported in the Daily Press of Tuesday and Wednesday, which ended with a verdict against Mr. CHAPLIN in a claim by a woman who had acted as his agent in his present tour of Europe. The public, no doubt, is dimly conscious that when its popular favourites of the stage, the boxing ring, or the film receive a civic welcome from the Mayor of this, or an invitation to lunch from the Duke of That, a good deal of organisation has gone to achieving the event. But the actual workings of the elaborate and expensive system that attracts a constant limelight upon those who are prepared to pay for it are seldom revealed. In this case the film industry, we may well imagine, would have been better pleased had the facts not come to light. They take the bloom off the bouquets. The organisation which paid the expenses of Mr. CHAPLIN'S European tour made the mistake of breaking its contract with a lady skilled in the arts that give the publicity-hunter access to places where the limelight burns bright and that provide him with "stunts" which are bound to attract notice. She "fixed" for him a reception by the Lord Mayor of London, an inspection of a goal, and a visit to his old school. She just missed getting him the use of a state coach for one of his triumphal progresses, but she successfully planted on a London newspaper his account of his meeting with the Duke of Cornwall at Nice. Judge Tobin remarked with some sarcasm that our readiness to respond to such methods can hardly increase our dignity in the eyes of other nations. Perhaps he takes too gloomy a view, for the United States at any rate must think us more lenient in the indulgence we accord to the art of "boosting." But on court hearing, in which for once in a way Mr. Chaplin was very properly relegated with reluctance to a back seat, should at least serve as an acid reminder that what looks like ardent and spontaneous applause of the famous is frequently the result of a costly and well-engineered claque.

★ News and Views ★

Tale of the Day.

"Why are you in such a hurry to finish your tea, Bill?"
"I've been workin' overtime and my supper will be ready in ten minutes."

"We Are the Queen."

When an English judge is on Assize he is treated as the King's personal representative.
Once when the late Baron Huddleston and Mr. Justice Manisty were on circuit, the latter rose loyally to drink the Royal toast, only to be greeted with the whispered asperity of his brother judge: "Sit down, Manisty, you fool, we are the Queen!"

Unfortunate.

Of Huddleston another story is told.
Inclined to be a seeker of friendship with the glittering great, he went to stay at a fashionable French resort and inserted in the visitors' book his own full name and titles.

An enemy came and wrote the suffix: "Tart hunter and toady."

Next arrived the correspondent of the local newspaper, and in the "Distinguished Arrivals" next day appeared Baron Huddleston's name and dignities, including this queer honorific!

Brighter Days in School.

City of London schoolboys are studying by the light of a giant reflector.

The reflector is of white tiled bricks, soft, high and about 300ft. long, which forms the west wall of the Unilever House, the new palace of commerce overlooking Blackfriars Bridge, which is now nearing completion.

Like a cliff of shining white marble the wall traps the light and reflects it down into the class rooms of the City of London School next door.

The wall also reflects the colours of the sky. Dead white at mid-day, it turns to a pale yellow in the afternoon light, and as the sun sets it reflects a rich rose shade.

The 13th Guest.

The 13th guest brought traditional bad luck when Mrs. Paul Berry, of Southend, Indiana, invited him to her son's birthday party.

He was a boy of seven, and on telephoning his hostess that he had lost his way she drove out in her car to pick him up.

On the way back Mr. Berry was killed in a motor smash and the 13th guest received an injury to the head which is likely to prove fatal.

Fortify the Roofs.

"There have been so many cases lately of burglars effecting an entrance through skylights that I wonder when people will start to fortify their roofs and make them burglar-proof," writes a London diarist.

We wish all our readers a happy New Year and the best of luck during 1932.

There will be no publication of the Daily Press tomorrow. The next issue will appear on Monday.

The Filipino community have arranged a musical concert for Sunday, January 3, 1932, at the Peninsula Hotel, commencing at 8.30 p.m. in celebration of Rizal Day. A very pleasant evening's entertainment is promised.

According to a report made by Capt. E. Holmes, master of the s.s. Lyssemoon, two passengers died at sea while the vessel was on her way to Hong Kong from Haikuan. Capt. R. W. Hooking, master of the s.s. Talawa, which arrived in port on Wednesday, also reported the death of two passengers.

Three men visited the first floor of 13 Upper Lascar Row, on Wednesday morning when they told a woman that they had a parcel for the tenant. After they were allowed in the house, however, the men produced daggers, bound and gagged the inmate and robbed them of valuables amounting to \$65.

"To meet the anticipated demand I have just invented the Simple Skylight, which, when opened by any unauthorised person who does not know the secret, automatically rings a bell in the nearest car-park or any other place where policemen foregather."

Girl of 18 Not to be Executed.

Bontrics Robinson, the 18-year-old Negro who was sentenced to death for murdering her sweetheart, Aubrey Trott, is not to be executed. An appeal for clemency made to the Governor by Mr. Justice Rowan Hamilton, who conducted the trial, has been successful, and the girl's sentence has been commuted to 10 years' penal servitude. "She is a British subject. The jury was composed of seven whites and five Negroes. Robinson boarded with Trott's mother, and she stabbed Trott to death last July after he had remonstrated with her for flirting with two other coloured men."

A Divorce Sps.

Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, junior, who himself went through the Reno divorce mill last August, announces that he is opening a combination holiday resort and "divorce mill" at his ranch at Indian Springs, Nevada.

For a flat rate of \$100, which includes the lawyer's fees, guests will be provided with meals and entertainment for the six weeks which is necessary to qualify for a divorce. If the venture proves successful, the millionaire expects to open a chain of similar ranches throughout Nevada.

71 Minutes, 76 Miles.

The first part of the L.N.E.R. express which left Newcastle for King's Cross at 10.26 one morning last month, ran the last 76 miles from Peterborough in 71 minutes, despite a speed restriction to five miles per hour at New Southgate, where a bridge is being built.

An official of the L.N.E.R. said: "This was not an attempt to beat the record. The train left Peterborough four minutes late and arrived at King's Cross on time."

"Keeping His Old Dad."

After Lord Chesham had been elected chairman of Chesham and Amersham (Bucks) National Farm and Game Club, and his son, the Hon. Charles Cayendish, had been made a member Lord Chesham told the committee:

"I am sorry for my lack of agricultural knowledge, and I am determined that my son shall have a better agricultural schooling and a more practical knowledge, so that in the future he can keep his old dad—which he will have to do."

The Hon. Charles Cayendish, Lord Chesham's heir, is 15 years of age.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

The Chinese, arrested in connection with the attack made upon Miss E. St. Quinton of the Military Hospital, was brought before Mr. Williams at Central Police Court and charged with highway robbery, or alternatively with receiving stolen property. The defendant was originally charged with assault with intent to rob and with larceny from the person. The court remanded defendant until Tuesday afternoon.

before and after is the habit of our daily mind, and though the chief suggestion of New Year's Day is that another period of our career is about to commence, it is scarcely less mindful of the fact that one term of our existence, an idea that cannot fail to make up pause, and reflect on its history. Well, it is for us that "hope springs eternal in the human breast," that the belief that the darkest day has its dawn is universal, for the time that has flown more often than not leaves behind bitter recollections of trouble, perplexity, and failure. What has been is not likely, we are prone to argue, to be immediately repeated; if the old year has been disastrous, the new may have stores of happiness for us. We write of the many; the fortune-favoured few go on from year to year garnering up the good things of life and finding their paths strewn with flowers until at length even they discover bitterness in the oblique, and "dead leaves where erst were roses"—Hong Kong Daily Press, January 1, 1932.

Looking Back 50 Years.
We have just crossed the threshold of an unknown year; we have today reached a point when the Past, the Present and the Future come as it were, in conjunction. To look (Continued on Previous Column.)

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"VARSITY JOTTINGS."

A GRADUATE ENGAGED.

Mr. Boey Peng Lum, B.A., of Hong Kong University is engaged to be married to Miss C. Y. Lee, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cheong Siew, of Singapore.

Mr. Cheung's New Post.

It is learned that Mr. Cheung King Pak, B.A., has joined the Cheungchau Government School, where he will start teaching early in January, 1932. Mr. Cheung, who is popular among the undergrads, has been Chairman of the Arts Association, as well as the Education Society.

Mr. Yeap Choong Yeow.

Mr. Yeap Choong Yeow, B.A., of Eliot Hall, has decided to join the staff of King's College. Mr. Yeap has ably edited the Union Magazine for two successive years—1930 and 1931. He passed a course in education.

TRIAL AT CRIMINAL
SESSIONS.ADJOURNED OVER THE
HOLIDAYS.

An adjournment over the holidays until Monday morning was made at the close of the morning sitting yesterday of the trial of two Chinese on a charge of robbery at Kuk Hang Village, Kowloon City.

The case is the last one in the December list at the Criminal Sessions and has occupied many sittings before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) and jury owing to the large number of witnesses for the prosecution, who were cross-examined at length by Mr. Hin Shing Lo, defending counsel.

At the present hearing the case for the prosecution was closed after further cross-examination of a Chinese detective, who arrested the first accused. He denied that physical force was used in order to force accused to make a statement. The defence will open on Monday.

FALL OF KOUPANGTSE

SINO-JAPANESE CLASH NEAR TAHUSHAN

JAPANESE RE-ENTER NEWOHWANG

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, Dec. 31. — General Tamon's advance-guard entered Koupangtze from the south soon after unopposed, while the Kamura brigade, having repaired the railway in the direction of Tahushan, are expected to enter the city to-night.

Other despatches report that Japanese have re-occupied Newchwang.

COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY HITCH

PARIS, Dec. 30. — A further hitch has arisen over the constitution of the League's Commission of Enquiry in Manchuria owing to the difficulty of finding a British member.

All the other members are already virtually appointed, although it is now learned that the American member will not be Mr. Walker Hines, but will probably be an Army general, whose name has not been mentioned, but is not General Dawes.

The need for sending out the Commission as quickly as possible is being urged by Mr. Hoo, who is keeping in touch with M. Briand on the subject.

It is understood that M. Briand shares Mr. Hoo's view of the urgency of the matter, but he has pointed out that no reply has yet been received to the invitation to Great Britain to nominate a member.

MR. HOO CALLS ON M. BRIAND

Mr. Hoo paid a late call to the Quai d'Orsay to-day and saw Signor Massigli, the head of the League of Nations' Political Section, and, it is understood, asked that the League should take action in view of the recrudescence of Japanese activities.

This view was also expressed in a recent Note from Mr. Hoo to M. Briand. The letter was later circulated to all members of the League Council, but there seems

no likelihood of a special meeting being called, for the present, at any rate.

JAPANESE AND CHINESE NOTES

GENEVA, Dec. 30. — A Japanese Note to the League Secretariat announces the despatch of a Mixed Brigade from Korea to Manchuria, in the vicinity of Antung, near the border.

A Chinese Note to the League declares that the Japanese have commenced aerial bombing raids on townships to the west of Mukden.

The Note states that Tzu Lan-shan, Chengyow and Sishan stations on the Peiping-Mukden Railway have been bombed, while the Japanese, it is alleged, are dividing their troops into three groups with a view to an advance on Chinchow.

"DO NOT DEPEND ON OTHERS"

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 31. — Marshal Feng, the "Christian" General, when interviewed declared that he refused to be dubbed a man without a country. He would resist the invasion of Chinchow and it would be futile to depend on others for the salvation of the country.

When further questioned he abruptly retired, declaring he would say no more at present, except to emphasize the need of presenting a united front against Japan.

Marshal Feng is arousing considerable interest in Shanghai, where he is going about in peasant garb.

OUR RAMSHACKLE CITY HALL.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

The following statement was made yesterday morning by the City Hall Committee, through their Secretary, Mr. T. A. Martin:—

Some time last month, we received a letter from the Inspector General of Police, a report on the building, and in particular of the Theatre Royal and a principal feature of that report was that, notwithstanding all the precautions which are taken for the safety of the public using this building, the opinion was expressed that, considering the flooring and other features which through age and deterioration have considerably weakened, there was now a decided risk to the public using the building.

There were other minor alterations mentioned in the report which the Committee were willing to carry out but in view of the particular paragraph about the age of the building the committee considered that they were no longer called upon to shoulder the responsibility for the public using the building.

No Help from Government.

The Committee there wrote to the Government and among other things suggested that if the Theatre Royal was to continue in 1932, the Government might assume responsibility for the safety of the public. The Government informed the Secretary by telephone that they could not do that and could not shoulder the responsibility. It was therefore decided not to ask for the removal of the theatre licence from January 1, 1932 and therefore the Committee cannot take any further bookings for the Theatre Royal nor for the assembly rooms and have been regretfully compelled to give notice to their patrons, the A.D.C., the Philharmonic Soc-

ety and the Naval and Military "Y.M.C.A. Everybody has got to leave the City Hall by the end of January, 1932.

The only remaining rooms left open are the public reading rooms and the Library and Museum. As regards these the committee are considering their position in the matter and it is believed that the Inspecting Officer of the Fire Brigade is going to look over the reading room and museum; whether these places will still be available to the public will depend on his report.

The City Hall, it was explained, was put up in 1885 and ever since then it had been a losing proposition but the Committee had never been called upon to make any extensive alterations. They have little funds at their disposal at the moment and are not in a position to carry out any big scheme of alterations. Officially there has been no plan decided upon as to the future of the City Hall.

"Building Authorities to make Inspection.

When interviewed by our representative later, Hon. Mr. W. E. Shenton stated that at a meeting of the Committee of the City Hall, held yesterday morning, information had been received from the Government that the Building Authority intended to make an exhaustive inspection of the building with a view to finding out exactly how much of the structure could be continued to be used. Mr. Shenton stated that it was hoped that the Theatre Royal would remain in operation and that perhaps small meetings would be allowed to take place in the upper rooms.

The Theatre, however, was permanently condemned and no performances or meetings of any kind would be held there in future.

Hongkong Bank Scheme.

We understand that negotiations are still in progress regarding the scheme by which the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation may take over the site for the purpose of erecting new premises.

REPARATIONS CONFERENCE

PERMANENT SETTLEMENT UNLIKELY

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Dec. 30. — Conversations between British and French financial experts in anticipation of the International Conference on Reparations will shortly be resumed.

They are being directed to the narrowing down of the margin of difference between the British and French theses on the various outstanding questions, and it is hoped that a considerable measure of common policy will emerge for submission to their Governments before the Conference assembles.

It is recognised that the present circumstances are unfavourable for achieving a permanent settlement. It is hoped, arrangement on reparation payments that will tide over the crisis in Germany will be reached at the Conference. The British Government has taken initiative so far as suggesting to those concerned that the Conference could most conveniently be held at Lausanne and that subject to the approval of the other Powers, it should begin on 19 January.

PORTUGAL OFF GOLD STANDARD

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LISBON, Dec. 30. — The Government has issued a decree suspending the gold standard and, for all practical purposes, linking Portuguese currency with sterling.

The decree suspends until April 30, the convertibility of Portuguese banknotes into gold, but maintaining their convertibility into sterling drafts on London at a par rate of 110.

SIR HERBERT SAMUEL IN MOTOR MISHAP

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Dec. 30. — The Home Secretary, Sir Herbert Samuel, who had been spending part of the recess at Torquay, went by motor-car to visit Dartmoor Prison at Princetown to-day. The machine skidded in the ice-bound moorland road and ran into a ditch, but fortunately Sir Herbert was not injured.

CITY WORKERS STARTLED

SIX EXPLOSIONS IN THROGMORTON AVENUE

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 30. — Flames ten feet high, following six gas explosions from manholes in Throgmorton Avenue, in the heart of London's financial centre, startled City workers to-day when a portion of the pavement and the road were blown up.

The street was closed to traffic, and firemen fought the flames. The "lights out" order was given while the manholes were opened in an effort to trace the escape.

The flames were finally extinguished after two and a half hours' blaze.

BRITAIN BENEFITS

ANOTHER JAPANESE BOYCOTT

(Reuter's Special Service.)

PORT OF SPAIN, Dec. 30. — Chinese here, following the example of their compatriots elsewhere, have decided to boycott Japanese merchandise.

\$200,000 of trade is expected to be diverted to Britain.

ARMED ROBBERIES IN HARBIN.

RESIDENTS ALARMED BY INCREASE IN LAWLESSNESS.

Harbin, Dec. 30. — Armed robbers are becoming very active in Harbin and almost every day shop-keepers are being held up and their premises looted.

Invariably these raids result in some of the victims being killed, but so far the robbers have always managed to make good their escape.

Residents are becoming greatly alarmed at the growing lawlessness and are agitating for strong measures to check it.

BRITAIN AND INDIA

ORDER WILL BE MAINTAINED

Lord Willingdon's New Year Declaration

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 31. — CALCUTTA, Dec. 31. — AN emphatic declaration that the Indian Government will not permit any subversive activities, which might impede the Constitutional programme, together with exhortations to Gandhi to give his powerful influence to the Government and a New Year appeal to the whole of India, were made by Lord Willingdon at the annual dinner of the European Association.

"We are determined to move as rapidly as possible with the Constitutional reform and every measure will be taken to maintain law and order to prevent any party paralyzing the Administration, whether their activities take the form of 'no rent' or 'no revenue' campaigns, or a boycott of British goods and institutions as a political measure or in defiance of the laws."

UNREST IN NORTH-WEST FRONTIER

MENACE TO PEACE NOW REMOVED

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PESHAWAR, Dec. 30. — The menace to the peace of the North-West Frontier Province appears to have been removed, though it was again considered necessary to draft a small body of British troops into Peshawar to-night.

As it happened, however, there was no further renewal of last night's demonstrations and the military were not called upon to take any action.

One hundred and twenty of the Red Shirts arrested last week at Kohat were released to-day after apologising and promising to abstain from further disturbances.

"There is still some slight unrest in the Khatlak District where meetings were held to-day in defiance of the Government."

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.32 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone central over the lower Yangtze Valley is weakening.

Local Forecast:—N. and N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

BOY ACQUITTED OF MURDER.

VERDICT IN 15 MINUTES.

SCIENTIST AND THE GRASS SEEDS.

Portsmouth, Dec. 4. — The 19-year-old youth, William Ernest Kell, who was charged at Hampshire Assizes with murdering Winifred Cleife, aged 15, on a golf course at Portsmouth, was yesterday found "Not guilty" and was discharged.

The jury were out considering their decision for only 15 minutes. Not a vestige of emotion was visible on Kell's face when he heard the verdict that made him free.

Until yesterday his parents had occupied seats only two or three rows from their son. Yesterday the father was there alone. His mother, felt that the ordeal would be too great, and she stayed with friends in Winchester to hear the result of the trial.

Salvation Army officers had been with them throughout the week. When Kell rejoined his parents they were driven in a private car, arranged for by Salvation Army officers, to their home in Portsmouth.

Mr. Kell said to a reporter: "I had always believed in my son's innocence, and this verdict shows that I am right. I could not believe such a terrible thing of him. The ordeal has been terrible."

Poor Prisoner's Defence.

The judge complimented Mr. O'Connor before the court rose on his defence in the case, particularly as it was a poor prisoner's defence case. Mr. O'Connor, he said, had done a great public service for small remuneration.

In his address to the jury Mr. O'Connor had referred to Kell's "obviously truculent manner" (Continued on next column.)

BOMB EXPLOSIONS IN U.S. POST OFFICE

ONE OFFICIAL KILLED: TWO INJURED

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

EASTON, Pennsylvania, Dec. 30. — One Post Office official was killed and two seriously injured to-day in consequence of the explosion of two postal packages here among a batch of seven addressed to the Italian Consul-General in New York, the Italian Consulate at Pittsburgh, and several Italian and other foreign papers in New York.

The packages were left at the Post Office by two men who departed hurriedly. Officials, who became suspicious, were examining parcels, when one exploded, killing one of the clerks and blowing off both the arms of another clerk.

The second parcel exploded while being examined in the open air by a dynamite expert, who was seriously injured.

The police have arrested two New York Italians, who were reported to have been soon leaving the vicinity of the Post Office about the time the explosion occurred.

The police believe it to be the outcome of a plot against the Fascist aiming at the murder of a number of Italian financiers, journalists, and diplomats.

It is feared bombs may have been despatched from other cities, so Post Office authorities here ordered a careful surveillance of all mails.

Police are guarding the homes of intended victims.

Nine men and two women are now under arrest on suspicion of complicity in the plot.

Strong feelings were aroused against Fascist circles by the sentence of two years' imprisonment passed on a young Italian who shouted imprecations at Signor Grandi when the latter was passing through to Philadelphia.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Dec. 30.	
Paris	86 9/16
New York	3.38 1/2
Montreal	4.10 1/2
Brussels	24 1/2
Geneva	17 7/16
Amsterdam	8 15/16
Milan	50 13/16
Berlin	14 1/2
Stockholm	17 15/16
Copenhagen	18 1/16
Oslo	18 1/2
Vienna	20 1/2
Prague	114 1/2
Helsingfors	240
Madrid	40 1/2
Lisbon	106 1/2
Athens	26 1/2
Rio	44 1/2
Buenos Aires	40 1/2
Montevideo	31 1/2
Bombay	1/6 5/32
Shanghai	1/11 1/2
Hong Kong	1/5 1/2
Yokohama	2/3
Silver (spot)	20 1/2
Silver (forward)	20 1/2

when in the witness-box. "I ask you to bear in mind," said Mr. O'Connor, "that he has been under arrest for four months with this appalling charge hanging over his head."

The Grass Seeds.

Mr. O'Connor suggested that not the slightest weight could be attached to the finding of the three grass seeds in the turn-up of Kell's trousers when the scientist in London who examined them found two identically similar seeds in the turn-up of his own trousers.

Regarding the three grass seeds found in the fold of Kell's trousers, Mr. du Parcq said it was true that "Yorkshire Fox" was one of the commonest kinds of grass seed which anyone on his summer holiday might expect to find in his trousers turn-up. But grass seed of a similar kind was found in Madge Cleife's bag and in her hair.

Judge's Summing-up.

Mr. Justice Acton, summing up, said the jury should not attach too much importance to Kell's demeanour in the witness box for he was given evidence when his life was at stake and subject to cross-examination—a terrible ordeal.

He was a respectable young man, with respectable parents.

The murder, the judge said, was the work of a monster rather than a man.

Members of the jury might ask themselves whether a man who, on the theory of the prosecution, after having in a desperate and violent struggle with the unfortunate girl, murdered her, could have gone back to his home within half an hour, taken off his collar and tie, had his supper and gone to bed in the manner described by his father and his mother.

One of the strongest points for the defence (added the judge) was that after a desperate and violent struggle, though the girl's clothing was bespattered with blood, there was not a trace of blood on the clothing of the prisoner.

KING CAROL'S LADY FRIEND

LEAVES RUMANIA FOR GOOD

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 30. — A Geneva message says: It is learned that Madame Lupescu, King Carol's friend who has been living in Bukharest secretly since October, has left Rumania and will not return.

Her departure is a triumph for the Premier, M. Jorga, and other enemies of hers who have been trying for months to persuade King Carol to send her abroad.

Her departure was urged by the Minister for the Interior on the ground that he was no longer able to guarantee her safety.

OBITUARY

SIR GEORGE EULAS FOSTER

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

OTTAWA, Dec. 30. — The death has occurred of Sir George Eulas Foster, the well-known Canadian statesman, at the advanced age of 84 years.

(Sir Geo. Eulas Foster, K.C.M.G., G.C.M.G., D.C.L., LL.D., P.C. (Canada), P.C. (British), M.P. North Toronto (1904-21), has been a member of the Canadian Senate since 1921. Prior to entering politics in 1892 Sir George was an educationalist, and, as a teacher, professor, and lecturer, made a name for himself. Sir George was, throughout his political career, a Liberal-Conservative, an Imperialist, and a United Empire Loyalist. He was a supporter of adequate protection for Canadian industries, and urged the development of Canada by railway and steamship facilities.)

INCOME TAX PAYMENTS

£200,000,000 DUE NEXT MONTH

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Dec. 30. — Heavy instalments of the Income Tax, totalling some £200,000,000 are due for payment next month and the authorities express confidence that the money will be forthcoming before the end of the financial year, March 31.

Many notable examples of practical patriotism are on record in which taxpayers have waived their rights to repayment of tax. Sur-tax payers have in some cases added gifts to their payments which they have made in advance. Voluntary gifts of money, ranging from a trivial sum of fifteen pence up to hundreds of pounds, have been sent to the treasury, and gifts in kind consisting of pieces of jewellery and other valuables have also been received.

Revenue authorities state that no such demonstration of public determination to meet the crisis has been experienced since the Great War.

THIRD TEST MATCH

BELL TAKES 5 WICKETS FOR 69

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MELBOURNE, Dec. 31. — The Third Test Match commenced here to-day.

Australia won the toss, Ponsford and Bradman opening the innings. Ponsford and Bradman were, however, dismissed for 7 and 9 runs respectively.

Australia—1st Innings.

Ponsford, b Bell	7
Bradman, c Cameron, b Bell	9
Quinn	7
Woodfull, c Cameron, b Bell	52
Kippax, c Bell, b Quinn	52
McCabe, c Morke, b Bell	22
Rigg, c Mitchell, b Bell	65
A'Beckett, c Mitchell, b Quinn	6
Oldfield, c Vincent, b Quinn	0
Grimmett, c Morke, b Bell	6
Wall, not out	12
Ironmonger, run out	12
Extras	7
Total	198

Bowling Analysis.

	R.	W.
Bell	69	5
Quinn	42	4

South Africa—1st Innings.

Mitchell, c McCabe, b Wall	17
Curnow, not out	23
Christy, not out	3
Extras	3
Total (for 1 wkt.)	46

LAWN TENNIS

BRITISH TEAM TO TOUR WEST INDIES

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Dec. 30. — One of the strongest lawn tennis teams will leave England on Jan. 19, to make a six-week tour of the West Indies.

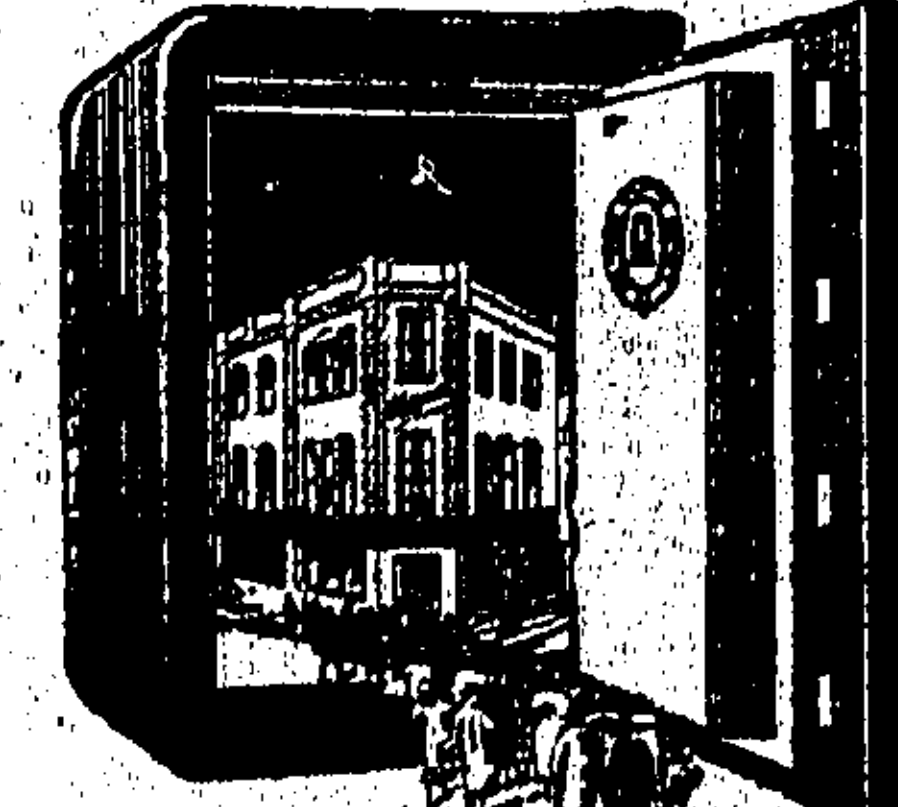
The team will comprise:—Miss Nathall, Mrs. Wintingshall, Perry, Hughes, Lee and Lester.

GIANT AIRLINER MAKES SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT.

LONDON, December 23.—One of Britain's newest and largest airliners, capable of carrying thirty passengers, has successfully started her flight to the scene of her future operations. She is a 30 passenger Hannibal machine and is for use on the London-India service between Cairo and India. Yesterday she hopped across Channel to Le Bourget and to-day landed at Marseilles. To-morrow she goes to Rome and is due to land in Egypt on Christmas Day.

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Sports News

CRICKET NOTES.

HOLIDAY CRICKET REVIEWED.

The only game on Saturday last on which I have not commented, assuming, that is, that my conferees is dealing with the Craigengower inter-club match, is the one which took place between the Navy and Kowloon. The Navy went in first and thanks to Shaw Burnett and Villiers rattled up two hundred and sixty-three. (It has a bearing in the K.C.C.-Army game, to which I shall refer later). There seems to have been a last-wicket stand between Paycomdr. Wethey and Lt. Comdr. Munro. Perhaps some reader of Chesterton will correct me but my recollection is that the Secretary was Saturday. (The order of the first elucidation of this somewhat cryptic remark will receive a bag of nuts). To resume, Kowloon went out after the runs but just failed to bring it off. Burnett, the shore going one, made a hundred. He had shown a certain amount of form with the bat in one of the Trials, but at the completion of his century, I hear that the strong silent men sitting in the pavilion adjourned for a spirituous sustenance. Joking apart, it was a gallant knock, though I am told Fernie Fincher's century was the better of the two.

The Navy and Army Match.

And this brings me to a general consideration of the Navy and Army game of which so far I have only published the bare details. There is no doubt that the Navy bowling is thoroughly bad; or rather that there is no Navy bowling. Shaw evidently is not yet used to our light of our wickets, and while he has never failed to make a big score against poor bowling, he has hardly done anything against the best staff we have. Though it must be admitted he has been very unlucky. The Navy had hard luck in losing Hargrave who was down with tonsillitis (not to be spelt with a dip) and who now has gone up north. Beyond Shaw they have, as bats Burnett who is not quite the bat he was, and Villiers who is not quite the bat he will be. The rest of the side, all right, make runs, but they are not reliable.

Club v. Navy.

That is why I really think the Club are going to win their match to-day and to-morrow. The Club side is H. Owen Hughes (Capt.), A. C. Beck, A. C. I. Bowker, E. J. R. Mitchell, E. R. Duckitt, H. J. Armstrong, E. B. Reed, G. R. Bayer, J. E. Richardson, R. M. Wood and J. Barrow. Wild horses shall not drag from me the name of their reserve, but I advise the Navy to pray that the above team will turn out. It is not a strong batting side (it includes five of the Civil Service first eleven)—but there are a lot of men in it who can let daylight into bad bowling very well. Sayer, Richardson and Wood should all get runs unless the Navy have dug out one or two new bowlers. There must be some in the fleet, but I suppose it is a case of "the dark faithful caves of ocean." And as I have said, I don't think the Navy batting is sound enough to stand up against the Club bowling. E. B. Reed, I rather fancy, will touch some of the Club bowlers something about length. Anyway I am prepared to lay fifteen Formanets to an injection of serum that the Club win.

K.C.C. and Army.

The Kowloon Cricket Club are (or were should I say?) busy to-day and they are playing their two day match on the Saturday and Sunday against the Army. This I frankly confess, is likely to be the most exciting game of the season if every one runs true to form. As it happens I know the K.C.C. skipper expects very high scores in the first two innings. Personally I think it depends a great deal on the toss and the wicket. Given a good honest Kowloon wicket, and the Army winning the toss, I do not see them out under three hundred runs. I imagine it may be nearer four hundred. But, I do not see K.C.C. making a three hundred score in reply. The Army bowling is definitely the strongest in the Colony. Their men are at the top of their form. Their variety is excellent. Williams is a fast slinger with a nasty off break—with his lack of command of pitch and this break he is a definitely dangerous bowler on our wickets. (I say lack of command of pitch because this is what I prefer to think it is). Then comes Hamilton, an excellent medium fast bowler, usually of irreproachable length and with a good change of pace. At the other end Mirehouse who is pretty deadly on a wicket that helps him at all and Bryant, who is bowling a hundred per cent. better since he has learned to pitch the ball up, and to lose the idea that being driven for four is a deadly sin. Both are caddy-handed. Mason on his day is a deadly slowish spin bowler though he can be hit by a quick footed batsman. Finally another

(Continued on next column.)

CRICKET.

ANNUAL VARSITY FIXTURE.

The annual cricket match between the Past students of the Hong Kong University and the undergraduates is to take place at Pokfulam to-day, commencing at 10.30 a.m. The teams to represent the two sides have been selected and are as follows:—

Past:—A. A. Rumjahn (captain), D. K. Samy, S. R. Korman, E. Zimmermann, S. V. Gittins, J. L. Youngs, A. H. Rumjahn, A. P. Guterres, A. Bakur, H. T. Barma and A. T. Barma. Reserve: T. E. Yeoh.

Present:—A. T. Normanbough (captain), D. J. N. Anderson, A. T. Lee, F. B. Zimmermann, E. L. Gosano, A. M. Rodriguez, H. Normanbough, K. P. Gan, P. M. N. da Silva, G. E. Yeoh and L. T. Ride. Reserves: A. A. Aziz and D. Roy.

To-morrow's Game.

The following will represent the University 2nd XI. against the South Wales Borderers in a friendly match at Sookunpoo at 2 p.m., to-morrow:—P. L. Tan, G. S. Scully, K. P. Gan, G. E. Yeoh, A. A. Aziz, D. Roy, R. E. G. Leong, C. E. B. Clavabur, M. M. Yayahbhoy, B. K. Ng and D. Hunt. Reserve: S. Tata.

Recreio v. H.K.C.C.

The following will represent the Club de Recreio in their League match against the Hong Kong Cricket Club 2nd XI. to-morrow, at King's Park at 2 p.m. sharp:—H. A. Alves, Dr. A. P. Guterres, M. F. Pinna, J. H. Figueiredo, L. Guterres, A. P. Pereira, F. J. Remedios, G. A. Guterres, A. Prata, F. H. Carvalho and A. N. Other.

Civil Service Team for To-morrow. The following will represent the C.S.C. 2nd XI. in their League match against the Police on the C.S.C. ground at 2 p.m. to-morrow:—

H. E. Strange (captain), B. C. K. Hawkins, A. E. Wood, W. H. Edmonds, A. W. Grimmett, R. H. Woodman, T. Armstrong, S. Randle, R. G. Robertson, J. M. Wilson, and F. Matthews.

brings the ball down from very high and is always liable to get a wicket in the slips. If the K.C.C. are going to tear three hundred runs out of that bowling I shall take my hat off to them. A draw is of course the obvious thing to say, but personally I think the Army will win. *Possunt quia possunt*. I've used the quotation before, but if any one can give me a better tag to describe the Army skipper's cricket I will stand them a very long drink.

A Nice Point.

Speaking of Captain Moir reminds me of a point of cricket which he discussed with several of us in the Pavilion after the Navy match. It was the question of whether one ought to bowl a man whose action takes him on and up the pitch in the middle, thus, with a soft wicket anyway, creating a "spot" for the bowler at the other end. The reference was of course to Williams who had dug a hole into which Mirehouse's better balls went, and popped straight up. Now we must start with the obvious statement that Williams doesn't do it on purpose. I know him too well to consider that for a moment. But it seems pretty clear to me that he probably is the man who is most annoyed. He must mask the batsman if he does so and so lose any chance of an l.b.w. or a catch at the wicket, provided that is that the umpire knows his job. Again, if his side bats second he is making a spot against his own batsmen for two innings while the opponents will probably be worried by it only in their second knock. I do not believe there is anything in the rules about it. My own feeling is that I should not use such a bowler if my own side had batted first, and it was pretty clear that the other side would have to follow on. This is not a criticism of Moir's having bowled Williams, but merely what I have evolved as my own attitude if I should be placed in a similar position. Of course the first thing is for Williams to get out of the habit, or bowl round the wicket, but I know from personal experience that it is frightfully hard to give it up. I remember being told once that the only way to cure myself was to put down broken glass on the line of the wickets and bowl with bare feet. But for the trouble of sweeping it up after each over no doubt I might have tried it.

A Happy New Year.

Well, that's that. I hope to have some account of the K.C.C. match in on Monday next as well as the Club v. Navy. In the mean time, a happy New Year to all my readers.

R. ABBIT.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

Y.M.C.A. BEAT ST. ANDREWS.

In a fast and interesting game at King's Park yesterday, the Y.M.C.A. beat St. Andrews Young Men's Association by two goals to one. The match was very evenly contested throughout, a feature being the good combination on the part of the St. Andrews forwards.

Club's Fine Win.

The Hong Kong Hockey Club scored a fine win over the South Wales Borderers on the United Services-Recreation-Club ground on Wednesday when they scored five goals against a solitary one notch, put in by the soldiers. It was a very fine game with the soldiers drawing first blood when Private Johnson scored when lying full length on the ground. Francis equalised for the Club and soon after Owen Hughes put them ahead followed by another by Tetley.

After the interval Evans scored again for the Club and before the

game was brought to an end, Francis added their fifth goal.

Sunday's Game.

The following will represent the R.A.S.C. v. Central British Association in their tournament match at the Marina ground, Kowloon, on Sunday, January 3, 1932 at 10.45 a.m.:—
Pte. Funnell, S/Sgt. Marshall, Lt/Cpl. Reynolds, Dvr. Whitley, W. O. Creighton, Sgt. McCulloch, H. O. Spain Dvr. Buckland, S/Sgt. Skipp, Lt/Cpl. Cadman, Dvr. Doyle, Reserves.—Pte. O'Connor, Sgt. Hurst.

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Sunday, 3rd Jan.

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KWANTI RACES.

A TWO-DAY NEW YEAR MEETING.

NEW LADIES' COURSE.

(By "HAWKEYE.")

New Year's Day and Sunday, the 3rd January, will see Fanling's first two-day meeting which represents a fresh stage in the history of Kwanti. The entire for both days go to prove how popular this course has become and there is every reason to believe that they will be two very successful days. The Meeting will be of particular interest as this will be the first occasion for the Fanling Subscription Grifflins to show their pace. Amongst the races on the first day will be the Hunters' Hurdle Race, always productive of a very big field and a good race. On Sunday there will be the Ladies' Race. In previous years this race also has provided a large number of starters and keen interest. This year will prove no exception as most of our crack lady riders will be facing the Starter.

Good News for Lady Riders. While on the subject of our lady riders, I have some good news for them. An addition has been made at Kwanti for their benefit. Plans have been drawn up for yet another course inside the other three. It is to be for the use of ladies and is intended as a place for them to enjoy a gallop without the fear of disturbing any training which may be in progress on the other tracks. I understand that it will be open shortly and may be used at any time during the week.

The Meeting opens with The Tyros Stakes, a Hurdle Race of 14

make their own decision between "Heliotrop Leaf" and "Bronze Eyes" in the Yunnan Handicap. Both these ponies ran disappointingly at the Christmas Meeting, but "Bronze Eyes" has only to show his form at his last outing at the Valley and "Heliotrop Leaf" to run as well as he did at the recent Macao Meeting, to make a very close race in this event. I rather fancy the chances of the latter. "Duke of Normandy II" should follow on their heels for third place.

The Szechuen Handicap should produce a good race between "Fritillery" and "Wine Stag" with the verdict, I think, going to the former. "Grey Dawn" is in splendid fettle just now and he is capable of upsetting one's calculations.

As regards tips for the Second Day, as the classification will not be published before Saturday, it will not be easy to correctly name the Winners but all of the ponies mentioned above should all go very near winning or being placed in the races in which they will compete. There is no doubt that the most popular race of the afternoon will be the Ladies' Cup (Unofficial), a flat race of 1 mile. I fancy the chances of "Donnabella" very much, and he will be ridden by Miss Pearson. "The Gomeril" will be handled by Mrs. Frost and should finish second with "African Eve" under the pilotage of Miss Scott-Harston, third. This is my view of the placings, but I expect to see a well-contested race.

SELECTIONS.

First Day.

1. Herga.
2. Black Maria.
3. Loch Ryan.
4. The Partridge.

HOME FOOTBALL.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY PROGRAMME.

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

Scottish League teams are engaged in a full programme of matches to-day and to-morrow, while the English League teams start the holiday fixtures to-day with a few matches in some of the divisions before engaging in their regular list of Saturday fixtures. The following are the fixtures during the two days:—

NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Division I.

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| Bolton | v. Chelsea |
| Manchester C. | v. Portsmouth |
| Newcastle | v. Aston Villa |
| Sheffield U. | v. Blackburn |
| Sunderland | v. Derby |

Division II.

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| Bury | v. Plymouth |
| Chesterfield | v. Burnley |

Division III. (North.)

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| Accrington | v. Lincoln |
| Carlisle | v. Tranmere |
| Darlington | v. New Brighton |
| Gateshead | v. Halifax |
| Southport | v. York |

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

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|--------------|-----------------|
| Airdrie | v. Falkirk |
| Ayr | v. Queen's Park |
| Celtic | v. Rangers |
| Cowdenbenth | v. Dundee U. |
| Dundee | v. Aberdeen |
| Hearts | v. Leith |
| Motherwell | v. Hamilton |
| Partick | v. Clyde |
| St. Mirren | v. Kilmarnock |
| Third Lanark | v. Morton |

SATURDAY.

Division I.

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| Birmingham | v. Everton |
| Chelsea | v. Middlesbrough |

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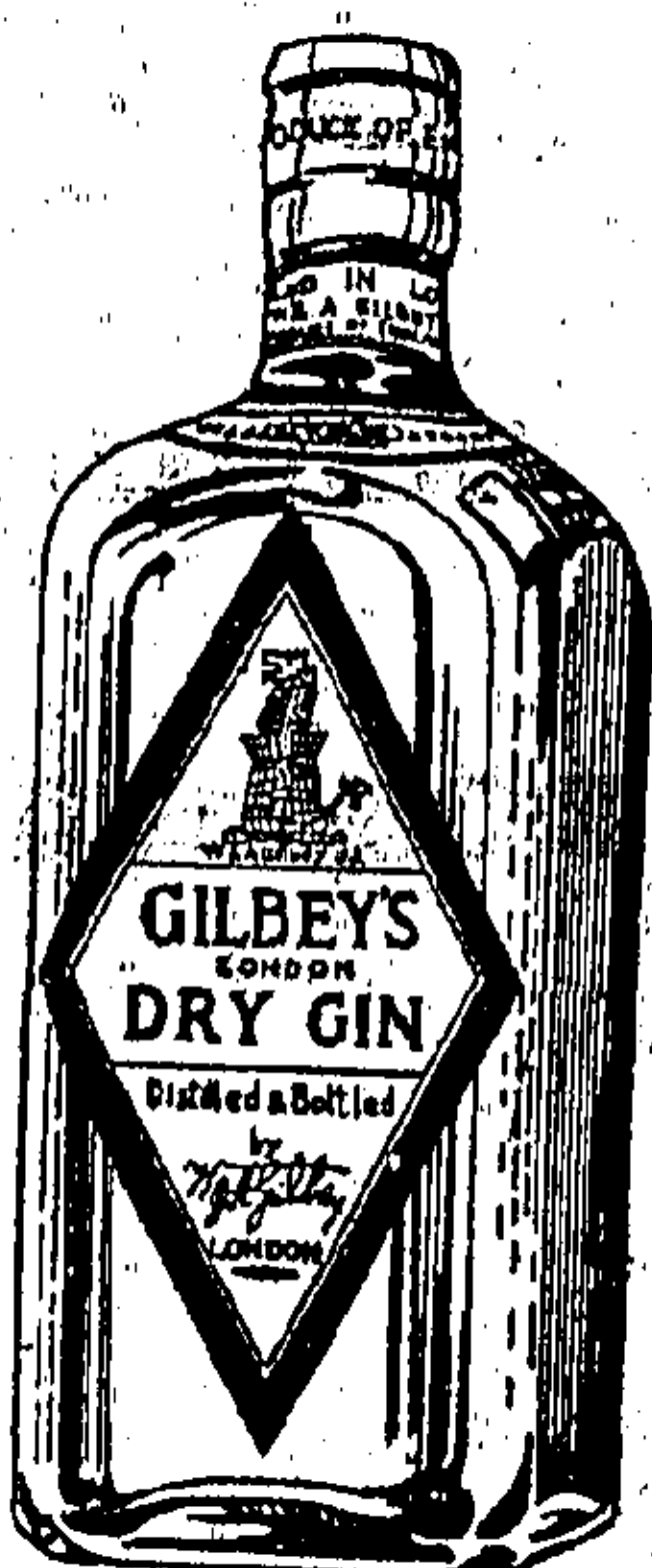
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Miles for Fanling Subscription Grifflins. There are eight entries and I understand they will all face the Starter. "Herga" is reputed to have satisfied his connections and, in the capable hands of Mr. Charles, should account for this race. Both "Black Maria" and "Loch Ryan" have also done well in training and will be there or thereabouts at the finish. "Cate" is another animal that shows promise.

Mr. Stanton's Chances. A good race should result between "Movanager" and "The Partridge" on the Shatin Handicap: Second Division. At the Christmas Meeting, "Movanager" had the legs of "The Partridge" but I think the placing will be reversed in this race and incidentally Mr. Stanton will commence his sequence of winning mounts. I like the chances of "Big Ching" for the third position.

"Tom" with Mr. Stanton riding, should have a run-away victory in the New Year Hurdle Race of 12 miles. "Monatana" and "White Heather" should be in the placing. For the Shatin Handicap: First Division, Mr. Stanton will dominate the field here on "Christmas Frolic." I think the second position will be occupied by "Christmas Bella," while "Duke of Chantilly" should be placed third.

A large field will muster for the Hunters' Hurdle Race (Unofficial) of 14 miles for this event. I expect to see our genial hard riding Medice (Dr. Macgown) pilot "Britannic Hall" first past the post. "Country Club" will be knocking at the door in the capable hands of Major Ian Stewart while the ever-green warrior "Fern Leaf" will no doubt be in the picture as usual.

Yunnan Handicap. I am afraid punters will have to

Movanager.

Big Ching.

Tom.

Monatana.

White Heather.

Christmas Frolic.

Christmas Bella.

Duke of Chantilly.

Britannic Hall.

Country Club.

Fern Leaf.

Heliotrop Leaf.

Bronze Eyes.

Duke of Normandy II.

Fritillery.

Wine Stag.

Grey Dawn.

Second Day.

Herga.

Black Maria.

Loch Ryan.

As You Like It.

The Partridge.

Movanager.

Christmas Frolic.

Marquis Hall.

As You Like It.

Tom.

Wonderful Stag.

White Heather.

Donnabella.

The Gomeril.

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Dundee U.

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Leith.

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Queen's Park.

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Motherwell.

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St. Mirren.

Celtic.

Partick.

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Leicester.

Liverpool.

Portsmouth.

Wednesday.

Sunderland.

West Brom.

West Ham.

Blackpool.

Huddersfield.

Aston Villa.

Newcastle.

Sheffield U.

Blackburn.

Manchester C.

Arsenal.

Bolton.

Barnsley.

Southampton.

Bristol C.

Stock.

Swansea.

Bradford.

Notts C.

Charlton.

Plymouth.

Oldham.

Wolves.

Bournemouth.

Northampton.

Walsall.

Fulham.

Thames.

Southend.

Reading.

Brighton.

Brentford.

Mansfield.

Crystal P.

Accrington.

Carlisle.

Darlington.

Gateshead.

Halifax.

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Walsall.

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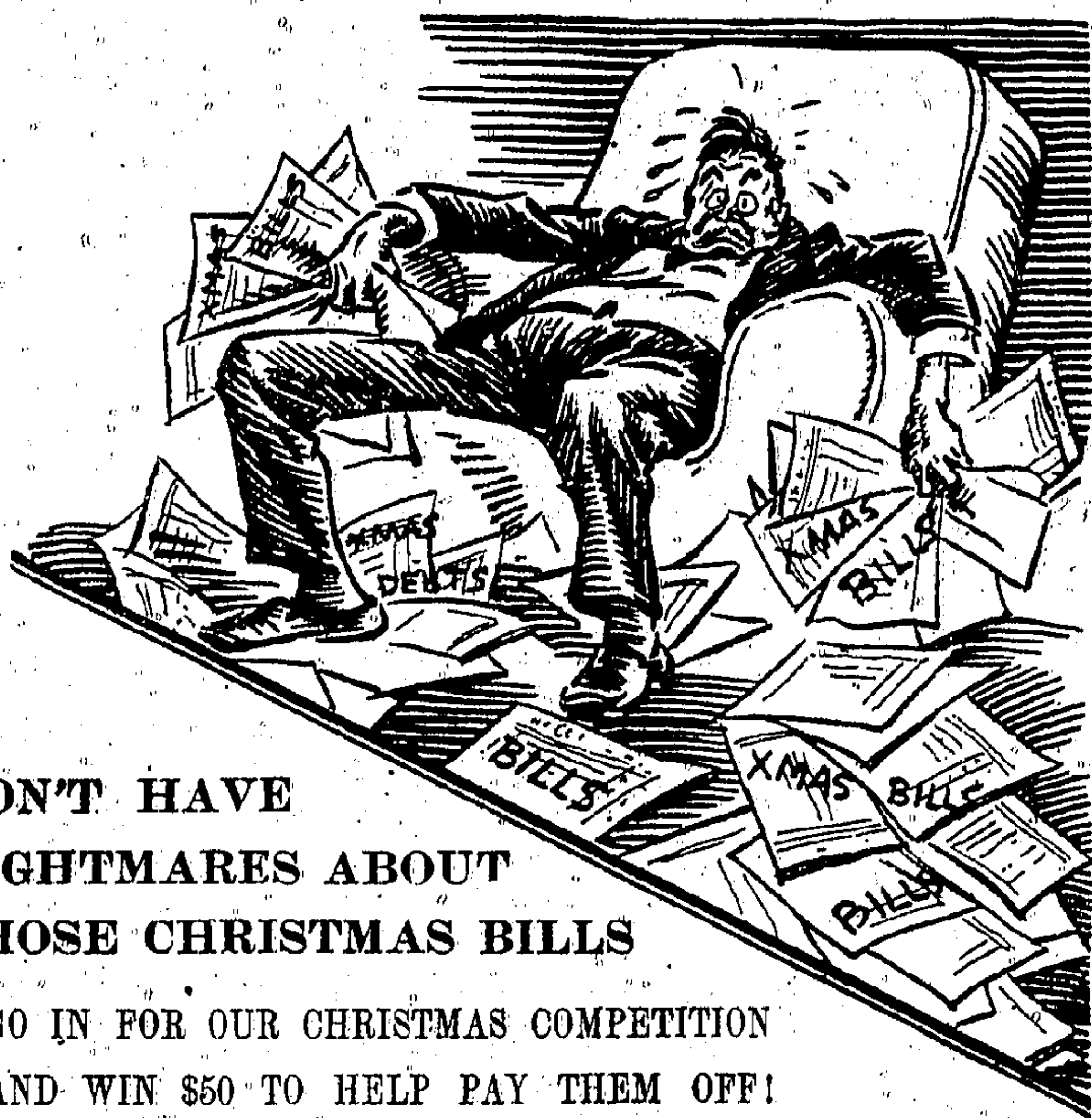


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See details on Page 5.

TRAWLERS ON ROCKS. RESCUES BY BREECHES BUOY.

London December 4.—Two Fleetwood trawlers were driven ashore during yesterday's gale, making three which were being pounded by heavy seas last night. All have been abandoned by their crews. News reached Fleetwood yesterday that in addition to the trawler Panages being ashore off Jurby Head, Isle of Man, the trawler Norina had been driven on the rocks in the Sound of Islay. She lies stranded two miles north of Port Askaig, only five miles from the trawler Oriscilla, which belongs to the same firm (Messrs. J. Mary & Son, Ltd.), and which has been fast on the rocks since November 4. The Aberdeen trawler Nairn ran on the rocks on the Aberdeenshire coast a mile from Collieston late on Wednesday night, and the crew of ten were rescued by breeches buoy early yesterday morning.

The E. & A. Company's s.s. Nelloro left Manila for this port on the 30th instant with outward Australian mails, and is due here on January 2, 1932. She will leave for Shanghai, Moit, Kobe and Yokohama on Monday, January 4, 1932, at 4 p.m.

BRITISH WAR PENSIONS.

£950,500,000 SPENT: FEWER BENEFICIARIES.

Nearly one thousand million pounds has been expended by Great Britain in war pensions. According to the annual report of the Ministry of Pensions, approximately £950,500,000 had been spent by the Ministry from its establishment in 1917 until March 31 this year. For every £1 expended in benefit, about 34d. represents cost of administration.

The report shows that on March 31 last persons in receipt of pensions and allowances totalled 1,295,500, as against 1,370,000 the previous year. The year's statistics include the following:—

First awards for disablement 1,212
Pension grants to dependants 2,078
Medical examinations 25,600
Courses of treatment 29,216
Patients under treatment 6,497
Artificial legs (mainly re-novated) 3,421
Final pension awards to the number of 9,972 were notified during the year.

AERIAL ROUTE TO TOKYO. TEST OF ALTERNATIVE TO TRANS-SIBERIAN FLIGHT.

London, Dec. 23.—An attempt to blaze a new aerial trail from London to Tokyo was announced here to-day by Mr. T. H. Chamberlain, formerly of the Imperial Airways. He will be accompanied by Mr. H. Lawson, formerly of the Royal Air Force.

Mr. Chamberlain said he will attempt with Mr. Lawson an attempt to fly over a new route to Tokyo as soon as weather conditions permit. The flight is to be made by way of the important cities of Asia instead of those in Siberia for the purpose of demonstrating that there exists a more feasible commercial air route to the Far East than that over Soviet Russian territory.

Messrs. Chamberlain and Lawson will use a Moth Cirrus plane equipped with a motor developing 80 horse power.

STEAMER DAMAGED BY FLAMES.

Rotterdam, December 24.—The s.s. Oostkork, of the Rotterdam-Java service had been seriously damaged by fire in Rotterdam harbour. She was carrying a cargo of copra and oil.

HOLIDAY RADIO PROGRAMMES.

DANCE MUSIC TO-NIGHT AND TO-MORROW.

TO-DAY.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records.
1 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
2 p.m.—Close down.
5 to 7 p.m.—Chinese recorded programme.
7.03 to 7.15 p.m.—Operatic Selections of Columbia records.
7 p.m.—Mail notices, etc.
7 to 12 midnight.—European programmes played by the J. H. Squire Celeste Orchestra.
"Gavotte from 'Mignon'" (Thomas).—3877.
"The Bohemian Girl—Then You'll Remember Me" (Balfie arr. Sear).
"Marianne—Scenes That Are Brightest" (Wallace arr. Sear).—9107.
7.15 to 7.30 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.
"Show Boat"—Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.—9430.
Lido Lady—"Here in my Arms"—Phyllis Dane and Jack Hulbert.
Lido Lady—"Atlantic Blues"—Phyllis Dane (Soprano).—1228.
"The Desert Song"—Debroy Somers Band.—9200.
"Bitter Sweet"—Columbia Light Opera Company.—9900.
8 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
7.50 to 8.30 p.m.—

Band Music.

The Rose—"English Selection"—Reg. Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.—9251.
The Shamrock—"Irish Selection"—Reg. Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.—9246.
The Thistle—"Selection of Scottish Melodies"—Reg. Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.—9102.
The Lark—"Selection of Welsh Airs"—Reg. Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.—9272.
8.30 to 9.03 p.m.—

Scottish Selections.

Song—"Comin' Thru the Rye."
Song—"The Bonnie Bonnie Banks of Loch Lomond"—Dora Labette (Soprano).—5300.
Humorous Dialogue—"Sailing Up the Clyde."
Humorous Dialogue—"Ye Can Come and See the Baby"—Will Fyfe.—9468.
Chorus—"Old Scotch Songs Medley"—The Maestros Quintette.—DX214.
Song—"My Nannie's Awa."
Song—"Two Bonnie Blue Eens"—Elder Cunningham (Bass-Baritone).—5596.
9.05 to 12 midnight—Dance Programme.

SATURDAY.

11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.—Chinese recorded programme.
12.30 to 2 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records.
1 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
2 p.m.—Close down.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 12.30 p.m.—European programme of Columbia and Regal records.
7 p.m.—Mail notices, etc.
7.03 to 7.20 p.m.—Orchestral and band music.
8 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
7.30 to 8.18 p.m.—Variety.
8.18 to 8.52 p.m.—A concert.
8.52 to 9.30 p.m.—Selection of old song hits.
9.30 to 11.30 p.m.—Dance programme.
11.30 p.m.—Close down.

SUNDAY.

10 to 11 a.m.—Relay of Service from St. Joseph's Church.
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.—Chinese recorded programme.
1 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
2 p.m.—Close down.
3 to 10 p.m.—European recorded programme.
3 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
8.04 to 8.40 p.m.—Operatic.
10 p.m.—Close down.
All records in the above programmes are supplied by Messrs. Moutrie & Co., Trans. Rock Piano, Co. and Anderson Music Co.

CHURCH NOTICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONG KONG.

JANUARY 3rd, 1932, 2nd Sunday after Christmas.
Holy Communion at 9 a.m.
Holy Communion (Peak Church) at 8 a.m.
Children's Service at 10 a.m.
Choral Eucharist and Sermon at 11 a.m.
Preacher—The Rev. H. V. Koop.
Evensong at 6.30 p.m.
Preacher—The Dean.
Jan. 6, Wednesday, Feast of Epiphany.
Holy Communion at 7.45 a.m.
Choral Evensong at 6.30 p.m.

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Shipping				Shipping			
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Mining				Mining			
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Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.			
...	...	...	...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...
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Land, Hotels, and Buildings				Land, Hotels, and Buildings			
...	...	...	...	H.K. Hotels (old)	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
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Cotton Mills				Cotton Mills			
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Public Utilities				Public Utilities			
...	...	...	...	Tramways	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Star Ferries	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	China Buses	...	...	...
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Industrials				Industrials			
...	...	...	...	China Sugars	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	Macgregors, (prof.)	...	...	...
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...	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...
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Miscellaneous				Miscellaneous			
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...	...	...	...	Mackintosh	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...
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Antan	4.30 a.m.		7.30 a.m.	
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Saikong	4.00 p.m.		10.30 a.m.	
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SWATOW & BANGKOK	"ANSHUN"	On 4th Jan.	3 p.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 4th Jan.	6 p.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI			
CHONG & TIENTSIN	"YINGCHOW"	On 4th Jan.	5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"CHUSAN"	On 4th Jan.	5 p.m.
FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI			
CHONG & TIENTSIN	"BUCHOW"	On 4th Jan.	5 p.m.
DAINTY	"CHINHUA"	On 5th Jan.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUIYANG"	On 6th Jan.	3 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TSINAN"	On 6th Jan.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, WEIHAIWEI			
CHONG & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 6th Jan.	10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 10th Jan.	10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SINKIANG"	On 13th Jan.	10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TAIYUAN"	On 13th Jan.	5 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 14th Jan.	5 p.m.
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TAIPING	18th Mar.	18th Mar.	21st Mar.	8th Apr.
CHANGTE	12th Apr.	10th Apr.	22nd Apr.	8th May

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The bottles in the car, he said, had accumulated during the past four or five days. He lost his wife five weeks ago and it had affected his health. The Mayor, announcing the decision, said that the magistrates had taken into consideration Mr. Hoyle's bereavement.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, December 31.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
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Barometer	30.15	30.29	30.17
Temperature	57	51	57
Humidity	59	81	66
Wind—			
Direction	N	N	Calm
Force	3	2	0
Weather	O	O	BU
Rain	0.0	0.0	0.0

Highest open-air Temperature, 37.59
 Lowest open-air Temperature, 31.49

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing Showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From January 1 to 7, 1932.

Days of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.	Hong Kong Standard Time.	Height.
Fri.	1	6.42	1.4	9.15	1.4
Sat.	2	15.45	1.3	21.80	3.9
Sun.	3	2.50	5.8	10.00	2.9
		16.32	5.8	23.10	3.5
Mon.	4	4.55	4.4	10.45	2.9
		17.24	6.0		
Tues.	5	7.21	4.2	09.35	2.6
		18.15	6.8	11.20	3.3
Wed.	6	9.49	4.3	09.42	1.7
		19.05	7.3	12.10	3.5
Thur.	7	11.50	7.7	13.01	3.6
		20.34	4.5	03.25	3.6
			8.1	13.45	3.7

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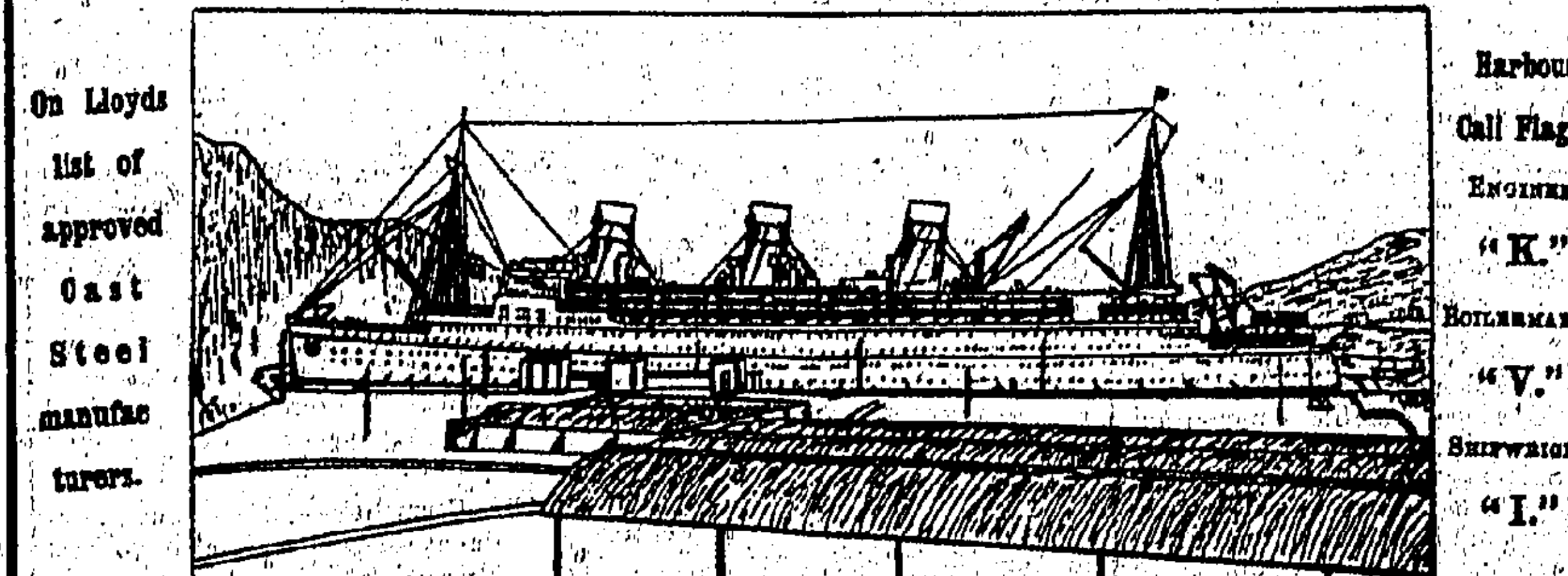
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To	Steamship	Date
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"DAVIKEN" "FOOSHING" "NOBYKEN" "KWAISANG"	Sun., 3rd Jan., at 7 a.m. Wed., 6th Jan., at 7 a.m. Sun., 10th Jan., at 7 a.m. Wed., 13th Jan., at 7 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG" "YUENSANG" "SUISANG"	Thurs., 7th Jan., at 3 p.m. Sat., 10th Jan., at 3 p.m. Sat., 6th Feb., at 8 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOI & KOBE	"SUISANG"	Sun., 3rd Jan., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI & KOBE	"KUTSANG" "HOSANG"	Tues., 19th Jan., at 7 a.m. Sun., 31st Jan., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"YUSANG" "MAUSANG"	Satur., 2nd Jan., at 5 p.m. Thurs., 7th Jan., at Noon
TIENTSIN via SWATOW, SHANGHAI & CHEFOO	"CHONGSHING" "CHIPSHING"	Fri., 8th Jan., at 7 a.m. Tues., 15th Jan., at 7 a.m.
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 All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the Free Storage period.
 All Claims must reach us before the 13th January, 1932, or they will not be recognized.
 No Insurance will be effected.
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter.
 JEBSEN & CO., Agents.
 Hong Kong, 23rd Dec., 1931. [1616]

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HEIAN MARU... Tuesday, 16th Feb.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM,
via Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Suez.
FUSHIMI MARU... Saturday, 9th Jan.
HAKODATE MARU... Saturday, 20th Jan.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports
KAMO MARU... Saturday, 27th Jan.
KITANO MARU... Saturday, 27th Feb.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
TANGO MARU... Monday, 17th Jan.
GENOA MARU... Wednesday, 27th Jan.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu
Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.
BORUYO MARU... Sunday, 14th Feb.

NEW YORK, BOSTON via PANAMA.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stamboul (Constantinople),
Genoa & Marseilles.

† DUBBAN MARU... Thursday, 14th Jan.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
† HAKODATE MARU... Wednesday, 4th Jan.
† MOBIKA MARU... Friday, 15th Jan.

SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA.
† TAJIMA MARU... Sunday, 23rd Jan.
† AKITA MARU (Mojik direct)... Monday, 4th Jan.
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CHRONOCEAUX... 22nd Feb.	D'ARTAGNAN... 23rd Feb.
ATHOS II... 16th Feb.	ANDRE LEBON... 17th Feb.
D'ARTAGNAN... 1st Mar.	FELIX ROUSSEL... 2nd Mar.
ANDRE LEBON... 15th Mar.	G. METZINGER... 18th Mar.
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 14,350 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO
19,790 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 6 a.m. yesterday were:—

Cargo for	Through	Ports.
British Nankin	—	991
Yokohama	—	—
Haiphong	—	—
Poochow	300	—
Rhexenor	—	70
Kobe	—	—
Tsun, Canton	—	15
Hydrangea	—	—
Swatow	200	—
Taiwan, Osaka	200	1,382
Taiyuan	—	—
Canton	—	400
Lyeemoon	—	—
Haihow	2,000	—
New Mathilde	—	—
Haiphong	1,070	—
Yusang	—	—
Sandakan	1,930	—
Talma	—	—
Calcutta	752	0,920
Emp. of Japan, Manila	4	515
Titan	—	—
Newport	1,800	4,847
	—	7,642—14,810

Dutch Angelina	—	—
Balikpapan	2,600	—
Sipora	—	—
Makassar	—	1,560
R. Pandjaja	—	—
Balikpapan	913	1,287
	—	3,613—3,168

French Canton	—	—
Haiphong	1,001	—
Norwegian Hermod	—	—
Bangkok	1,900	—
	—	1,900—

Japanese Hamburg Maru	—	—
Yokohama	93	1,387
Canton Maru	—	—
Keelung	701	—
Deli Maru	—	—
Canton	—	200
	—	794—1,787
Total	14,350	19,790

Tonkin (Br.) Yokohama	13
Haiphong (Br.) Poochow	150
Hydrangea (Br.) Swatow	20
Taiwan (Br.) Osaka	271
Taiyuan (Br.) Canton	54
Lyeemoon (Br.) Hoihow	380
New Mathilde (Br.) Haiphong	59
Yusang (Br.) Sandakan	13
Talma (Br.) Newport	1,480
Canton (Br.) Haiphong	182
Hermod (Nor.) Bangkok	47
Canton Maru (Jap.) Keelung	12
Total	2,968

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ending at 6 a.m. yesterday:—

Tonkin (Br.) Yokohama	13
Haiphong (Br.) Poochow	150
Hydrangea (Br.) Swatow	20
Taiwan (Br.) Osaka	271
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ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the 24 hours ending at 6 a.m. yesterday were:—

Arr.	Dep.
British	13
Dutch	3
French	1
Norwegian	1
Japanese	3
Total	22

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships are in port:—

Basin—Tangedi
North Wall—Sterling, Seraph, Serapis, Sirdar.
South Wall—Bruce.
East Wall—Herald, Olympus, Perseus.
North Arm—Kent.
West Wall—Suffolk, Cornflower.
Dock—Oswald, Orpheus, Phoenix.
Cosmopolitan Dock—Marazion, Seaweed.
Buoy No. 1—Hermes.
Buoy No. 2—Medway and Submarines.
Buoy No. 3—Cumberland.
Buoy No. 4—Cornwall.
Foreign—Portuguese transport Gil Eanes; U.S. destroyer Macleish and gunboat Mindanao.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following merchant vessels were in port yesterday:—

Wharves.
Kowloon—Empress of Canada, Talma, Margaret Dollar, Jardine Matheson's—Hopsang, Douglas Lapraik—Haiphong.

Docks.
Kowloon—Yei Maru, Limchow, Yuan Geng, Gil Eanes, Yuensang, Kwisang, Nanking.
Taikoo—C. H. Riviere, Chichibu Maru, Kweiyoung, Sinkiang.

BUOYS.

No. A4—R. Pandjaja.
No. A7—Zuiderkerk.
No. A15—Van Heutsz.
No. B8—Mabella.
No. B9—Hermod.
No. B10—BIO New Mathilde.
No. B11—Muniam.
No. B13—Helikon.
No. B15—Anshun.
No. B17—Hirundo.
No. B18—Lyeemoon.
No. B21—Kingsman.
No. B22—Yusang.
No. B24—Canton Maru.
No. B25—Rivani.
No. C1—Clara Jensen.
No. C2—Michael Jensen.
No. C3—Hervor.
No. C4—Yingchow.
No. C5—Svalde.
No. C6—Haldia.

JAPANESE SHIPPING AGREEMENT.

The Mitsui and Mitsubishi interests have entered into an alliance concerning common acceptance of orders for the repair and construction of ships, the joint use of shipbuilding facilities and materials, mutual aid for the workmen and scientific co-operation towards the development of the shipbuilding industry in Japan.

ARRIVALS.

December 30.

Angelina, Dutch str., 1,028 tons, Capt. G. Terling, from Balikpapan, Taikookai Anchorage—A.P.C.
Arden, Norwegian str., 1,101 tons, Capt. H. A. Johnson, from Bangkok, buoy No. B12—X.
Larsen & Co.
Canton, French str., 973 tons, Capt. F. Morvan, from Haiphong; buoy No. B18—M. M. & Co.
Canton Maru, Japanese str., 1,617 tons, Capt. Y. Iwasaki, from Swatow, buoy No. B24—O.S.K.

Deli Maru, Japanese str., 1,293 tons, Capt. E. Sanada, from Canton, Yau-mai Anchorage—O.S.K.
Emp. of Japan, British str., 15,795 tons, Capt. R. Robinson, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—C.P.S.
Hervar, Norwegian str., 701 tons, Capt. J. Sorlie, from Saigon, buoy No. C3—Chin Seng Hong.

Haiphong, British str., 1,363 tons, Capt. E. G. Erwin, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf—Douglas & Co.

Hydrangea, British str., 501 tons, Capt. P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chin On Wharf—Chiu On & Co.

Kueichow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. E. H. Histed, from Canton, buoy No. B14—B. & S.

Lyeemoon, British str., 1,734 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Hoihow, buoy No. B15—Kwong Nait & Co.

Newchwang, British str., 1,460 tons, Capt. J. Atkins, from Canton, buoy No. B3—B. & S.

Rantau Pandjaja, Dutch str., 1,602 tons, Capt. Blaender, from Sandakan, buoy No. A4—J.C.J.L.

Rhexenor, British str., 7,957 tons, Capt. C. L. Stout, from Yokohama, Taikoo Dock—B. & S.

Solviken, Norwegian str., 1,435 tons, Capt. N. Norval, from Canton, buoy No. A5—Sing Kee & Co.

Svalde, British str., 1,353 tons, Capt. Wilkins, from Saigon, buoy No. C3—Kwong Hang King.

Taiyuan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. T. Hodge, from Canton, buoy No. A9—B. & S.

Talma, British str., 6,164 tons, Capt. R. W. Hocking, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—M. M. & Co.

Tean, British str., 1,351 tons, Capt. F. Pringle, from Canton, buoy No. B20—B. & S.

Van Heutsz, Dutch str., 2,740 tons, Capt. G. Blits, from Swatow, buoy No. A15—J.C.J.L.

CLEARANCES.

December 31.

Angelina, for Swatow.
Clara Jensen, for Saigon.
Canton, for Haiphong.
Deli Maru, for Swatow.
Hamburg Maru, for Singapore.
Helikon, for Saigon.
Lyeemoon, for Swatow.
Margaret Dollar, for Legaspi.
Phanarella, for Amoy.
Shantung, for Canton.
Shore, for Whampoa.
Tianrong, for Shanghai.
Tokushima, for Shanghai.
Tonsan Maru, for Dairen.
Tean, for Dairen.
Van Heutsz, for Singapore.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
1932			
"MAWALPINDI"	17,000	2nd Jan. Noon	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	8,700	4th Jan.	Bombay, Colombo & Bombay.
"KALYAN"	8,700	18th Jan.	Mars., L'don, Am. & A'warp.
"CENTRAL"	15,000	30th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KASHMIR"	9,000	13th Feb.	Mars., L'don, Am. & A'warp.
"NALDERA"	16,000	27th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"SOUDAN"	8,500	5th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Havre.
"CARTAGE"	15,000	12th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Havre.
"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	26th Mar.	Marseilles and London.
"BURDWAN"	8,500	2nd Apr.	Bombay, Mars., L'don, Havre.
"CORFU"	15,000	9th Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"MAWALPINDI"	17,000	23rd Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	8,700	7th May	do.
"CENTRAL"	15,000	21st May	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,000	4th June	do.
"NALDERA"	16,000	18th June	do.
"KASHMIR-HIND"	12,000	2nd July	do.
"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	16th July	do.
"MANPUA"	11,000	30th July	do.
"MAWALPINDI"	17,000	13th Aug.	do.
"MANPUA"	11,000	27th Aug.	do.
"MALWA"	11,000	10th Sept.	do.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
1932			
"SANTHA"	8,000	8th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TALMA"	10,000	22nd Jan.	do.
"KALYAN"	8,000	5th Feb.	do.
"SHADANA"	8,000	23rd Feb.	do.
"TILWA"	10,000	6th Mar.	do.

B.I.—Apcar Line steamers have excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class passengers.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
1932			
"NANKIN"	7,000	2nd Jan. 1932, 11 a.m.	Manila, Batani, Brisbane.
"NELLORE"	7,000	30th Jan.	Sydney and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	7,000	11th Mar.	do.

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The New Zealand shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
1932			
"CENTRAL"	15,000	2nd Jan. 8 a.m.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NELLORE"	7,000	4th Jan. 4 p.m.	Shanghai, Kobe, Osaka & Yama.
"KALYAN"	8,700	10th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ALIPPO"	5,800	13th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TALAMBA"	8,000	16th Jan.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yama.
"KASHMIR"	9,000	18th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"SOUDAN"	8,500	26th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NALDERA"	16,000	29th Jan.	do.
"SHADANA"	8,000	30th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yama.
"TAKADA"	7,000	3rd Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"TANDA"	7,000	6th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama.
"TALAMBA"	8,000	12th Feb.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"CARTAGE"	15,000	15th Feb.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"BURDWAN"	8,500	21st Feb.	do.
"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	28th Feb.	do.
"CORFU"	15,000	11th Mar.	do.
"MAWALPINDI"	17,000	24th Mar.	do.
"KALYAN"	8,700	5th Apr.	do.
"MANPUA"	11,000	7th Apr.	do.
"CENTRAL"	15,000	21st Apr.	do.
"BANGALORE"	8,500	28th Apr.	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,000	5th May	do.
"NALDERA"	16,000	12th May	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR-HIND"	12,000	2nd June	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	16th June	do.
"SOUDAN"	8,500	26th June	do.

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